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## WEATHER FAVOURS TODAY'S RACING

The 1949 annual racing carnival opens today at Happy Valley favoured by fine weather. The Royal Observatory states that it will continue to be sunny all day.

The track is in excellent condition, and good racing is promised. Our reporter said this morning that the track was not too hard and not too soft, and that rail-fans were looking forward to some good times.

The big event of the five-day carnival is the Hongkong Derby, which will be run on Tuesday next. Tickets sold on the mammoth sweep had exceeded 1,500,000 by 10 a.m. today, which brings the first prize to \$800,000. The Jockey Club's comrade office will remain open tomorrow (Sunday) for sale of tickets.

A late edition of the Telegraph containing results of day's racing will be on sale about 4 p.m.

### TODAY'S TIPS.

By "THE TURF"

First Race	Shun Fung
Second Race	Egyptian Field
Third Race	The Alligator
Fourth Race	Outsider—Highlight.
Fifth Race	Blue Ribbon
Sixth Race	Lili Marlene
Seventh Race	Liberation Star
Eighth Race	Outsider—Desire.
Ninth Race	Home Builder
Tenth Race	Golden Dahlia
Eleventh Race	Airs And Graces
Twelfth Race	Outsider—Shun Fung.
Thirteenth Race	Ringmer
Fourteenth Race	Easy-Going
Fifteenth Race	Thunder Sky
Sixteenth Race	Outsider—Stayer.
Seventeenth Race	Duchess Delight
Eighteenth Race	Flying Knight
Nineteenth Race	Happy Farmers
Twentieth Race	Outsider—Rowanglen.
Twenty-first Race	Sixth Race
Twenty-second Race	Norse Queen
Twenty-third Race	Atomium
Twenty-fourth Race	Vagabond King
Twenty-fifth Race	Outsider—Black Market.
Twenty-sixth Race	Seventh Race
Twenty-seventh Race	Manlike
Twenty-eighth Race	Zephyr
Twenty-ninth Race	Lady Gloucester
Thirty-first Race	Outsider—Araxy.
Thirty-second Race	Amarant
Thirty-third Race	Ben Wyvis
Thirty-fourth Race	Southeast Wind
Thirty-fifth Race	Outsider—Sparkling Star.

## PALESTINE STATEMENT EXPECTED

London, Jan. 14.—The Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, is expected to tell a meeting of the Cabinet on Monday the lines of his awaited statement to Parliament on the Palestine crisis.

Parliament reassembles on Tuesday after the Christmas holiday. An immediate Palestine statement is likely either in answer to a question from the Opposition leader, Mr Winston Churchill, or general Interrogation by the House of Commons.

In the light of the Government reply, the Conservative Party will decide whether to press for an immediate Opposition debate.

By next week, Mr Bevin may be in a position to give Parliament a more complete picture of Middle East developments than Members have been able to gain so far from published reports.

If, however, the anxiety of the House of Commons was left unresolved, a section of the Government's followers might support demands for an immediate discussion.

The 300-strong Parliamentary Labour Party is expected to meet on Wednesday, and Government leaders may be questioned by critics of their Palestine policy.

The machinery for the Parliamentary Party meetings does not function out of session. The extent of demands for a full Palestine discussion will not be known until the House reassembles.

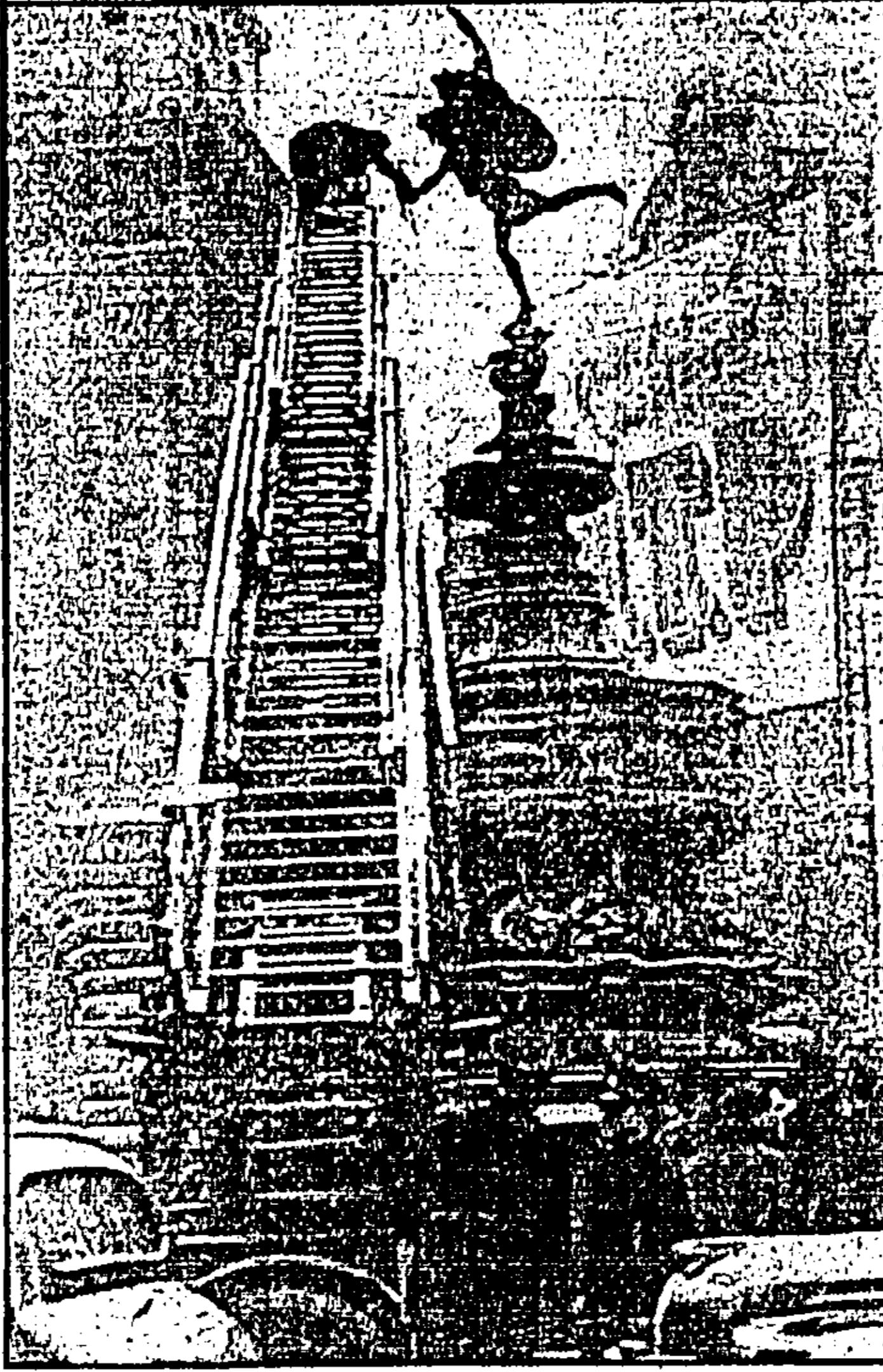
The House of Lords will discuss foreign affairs on Wednesday and it is considered inevitable that Palestine will be discussed then.—Reuter.

## GIFT TO BRITAIN

London, Jan. 14.—The Australian High Commissioner in London, Mr John Beasley, today handed to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, a cheque for £8 million, the gift of the Government of Australia to Great Britain for European reconstruction.

The presentation was made in Sir Stafford's room at the Treasury.—Reuter.

## Statue doctor makes his report



By means of a fire escape, an expert goes up to look for possible damage to Eros after a man had climbed to the top of the statue in Piccadilly Circus and perched there for 15 minutes while a large crowd gathered below. The expert reported: "Abrasions to the left wing and thigh. No fracture, not much damage."

## 27 DIE IN FIERCE DURBAN RACE RIOTS

Durban, Jan. 14.—At least 27 people were burned, shot or stoned to death here and in surrounding districts tonight in one of the fiercest race battles in South Africa's history. More than 400 people were injured.

Three hundred Indian women and children were reported to have fled into the bush. Hundreds are homeless. Police stations and hospitals are jammed with Indians.

Detachments of the Navy, Army and Air Force were called out to reinforce the regular police. Extra police were drafted to Durban from all over Natal.

Whole streets of Indian houses and shops were looted and gutted by fire. Thousands of Africans ran amok. While families of Indians were murdered in their homes. Some Indian families were locked in their homes and shops before the rioters set the building ablaze.

Durban police headquarters estimated the number killed so far in the riots yesterday and tonight at not fewer than 50 up to midnight.—Reuter.

## SOLDIERS CALLED UP

Capetown, Jan. 14.—An appeal to regular Army officers and ranks in Durban to report back immediately to barracks following 24 hours of race rioting was broadcast tonight by Dr Daniel Malan, the South African Prime Minister.

Mr. C. Erasmus, stated in Capetown that the military would be used to quell the rioting if the police force had not sufficient men to cope with the situation.

Two thousand angry Africans, armed with heavy sticks and iron spikes, swarmed into Durban's Indian market area today, looting shops and attacking their citizens.

Though special reserves were called out, police using batons were outnumbered and could not handle the crowd, which broke into the shops and emptied their shelves.

Religious Indians hid in houses behind the market.

Today's riots followed clashes last night in which 80 Indians and four Africans were hurt. Last night's trouble started at a bus stop when an African crowd took offence at an action said to have been taken by an Indian storekeeper against an African.

## SPREAD QUICKLY

It quickly spread to other parts of the city and shouting crowds of Africans dashed through the streets stoning buses and cars driven by Indians.

One bus, driving through a hall of flying stones and broken bottles,

charged a telegraph pole, spun round and careered up the road at high speed.

The Africans did not molest Europeans, but several big department stores closed early to allow women employees to go home while it was still light.

Dr Vernon L. Shearer, a Durban Member of Parliament, telephoned the Minister of Defence in Cape Town, and was given to understand that a proclamation would be issued immediately enabling the military to be called upon if necessary.—Reuter.

## Tientsin Entered, Red Radio Claims

Nanking, Jan. 14.—The Chinese Communist radio today claimed that Red forces had stormed into Tientsin, and also broadcast the first Communist offer to talk peace with the Nationalist government. The peace offer was made in a 2,000-word statement by the Communist leader, Mr Mao Tse-tung.

The Red radio, in another broadcast, claimed that the Communists drove into Tientsin at noon after an all-out assault beginning at 10 a.m. No details of the fighting were disclosed.

Mao listed eight Communist conditions which must be agreed upon as a prelude to any peace talks: 1. The punishment of war criminals. 2. The abolition of the constitution. 3. The abolition of the present form of government. 4. The Kuomintang Army to be reorganized in accordance with democratic principles. 5. The concentration of all bureaucratic capital.

6. Convocation of a political consultative conference without reactionary representatives. 7. Reform of the land system. 8. Abolition of all "country seignior" treaties and the formation of a "democratic government" which would take over the existing central and local administrations.

Shells were still falling around the Consulate at the time of the latest dispatch from the Consul-General, Mr Robert Smyth, and American officials were barricaded inside the building behind protective mounds of piled-up rugs.

Mr Smyth said the explosion at the oil installation started a "huge fire" that was "still raging and spreading badly." He identified the wounded Americans as the Vice-Consul, Mr Sam Yates, who was "slightly injured" by flying glass. The same hit caused minor injuries to an unidentified Chinese girl employee.—United Press.

## UNITED STATES PLAN FOR FREE INDONESIA

### Berlin's New City Assembly

#### BEGINS TWO-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE

Berlin, Jan. 14.—A battery of cameras clicked and crowds packing the public galleries cheered wildly as Berlin's new "Western" City Assembly met today for the first time in its American sector headquarters to begin its two-year term of office.

The decorations, which included a huge drapery of Berlin City's emblem, the black bear, would have been even more colourful had not the flowers and green plants watered from a firm in the Eastern sector been confiscated by the Soviet-controlled German police.

Dr Otto Suhr, unanimously elected Chairman of the Assembly, thanked the three Western Military Governors for their help "during this difficult period."

Then, pointing to the 11 seats reserved for deputies from the Soviet sector, where voting was forbidden during the December 5 municipal elections, he declared: "Those empty seats are a silent recognition by the Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party that it does not represent the Berlin population."

"There is no Parliament in Berlin. Our task will be accomplished in spite of those 11 seats."

#### NO DIRECT ATTACK

The Mayor, Professor Reuter, closed the proceedings by reading a declaration in which he pledged himself to "serve the interests of Berlin and work in the cause of freedom and democracy."

The declaration, moderate in tone, refrained from making any direct attack on either the Soviet Military Administration or the Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party.

The three Western Commandants, Major General E. O. Heger (Britain), Colonel Frank H. Wyley (United States) and General Jean Ganeval (France), occupied seats of honour as the proceedings were opened by 72-year-old Herr Adolf Wuschke, Social Democrat and oldest member of the Assembly.

The delegates were sworn in by the simple act of shaking hands with the Mayor. Professor Reuter, who was himself sworn in by Dr Ferdinand Friedensburg, his Deputy.

The Assembly adjourned until Tuesday, when members of the Magistrat (the City Administration) will be nominated.—Reuter.

## Complete Netherlands Withdrawal Proposed

Lake Success, Jan. 14.—The United States is reported to be proposing the creation of an independent United States of Indonesia by April 1, 1950, preceded by progressive withdrawal.

The American views were authoritatively stated yesterday as the Netherlands formally told the United Nations Security Council it will not comply with any U.N. order to withdraw from Republican territory or to release Indonesian political prisoners.

The Dutch declaration was made by Netherlands representative J. H. Van Royen as the Council resumed its debate on the Indonesian question.

The U.S. was said to favour broadening the present Indonesian Good Offices Committee into a Security Council Commission on Indonesia to supervise transfer of sovereignty from the Netherlands to the United States of Indonesia and with withdrawal of Dutch forces.

3. That in the interests of carrying out the expressed objectives and desires of both parties, negotiations shall be undertaken as soon as possible by the representatives of the Netherlands and the Republic of Indonesia under the Commission based on Council decisions, and the Renville and Jogjakarta agreements.

(A) That the interim Federal Government in the United States of Indonesia shall be established not later than March 15, 1949.

(B) That elections to be held for the purpose of setting up the Indonesian Constituent Assembly shall be completed by October 1, 1949.

(C) That the transfer of sovereignty by the Netherlands to the United States of Indonesia shall take place not later than April 1, 1950.

4. That the Council suspends temporarily the activities of the Consular Committee and transfers all of its functions and the services of its military assistants to the Committee of Good Offices, which now is to be known as the U.N. Commission for Indonesia.

(The Consular Committee was formed first and was made up of the Consuls residing in Batavia.)

(A) The Commission shall act as the representative of the Security Council and shall take its decisions by majority vote.

(B) The Commission is authorised to observe the elections and to make recommendations regarding conditions to ensure that such elections are free and democratic and to guarantee freedom of assembly and of speech.

(C) The Commission shall determine the extent to which, consistent with the reasonable requirements of public security, areas in Java, Sumatra and Madura outside of Jogjakarta shall be progressively returned to the administration of the Government of the Republic of Indonesia, and shall supervise such transfer. The Commission shall determine whether, if any, Netherlands forces shall be retained temporarily in any area to assist in maintaining law and order.

Van Royen laid before the Council a proposed Dutch timetable on (Continued on Page 14)

It is thought the Malayan Federation and Burma will be brought into the arrangement later. The paper also said: "A Commonwealth alliance would have its greatest impact on the world security system in its coverage of the Indian Ocean and the South Pacific."—United Press.

Chiang government, anxious as its leaders have been for peace, would accept the conditions.—United Press.

#### AMERICAN INJURED

Washington, Jan. 14.—Communist shells injured an American official in the United States Information Service office and damaged the U.S. Consulate in Tientsin.

The State Department was notified that a shell scored a direct hit on the Information Office, near the French Consulate. Windows and glass doors of the Consulate were "blown out" when more artillery fire caused a "terrible explosion" at the Shell Oil Company installation.

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### A SEAT IN THE STALLS

## It's a minor crime— overdressed

IT is no part of a critic's job to worry about money (not professionally, anyway), but I can't tear myself away from the fact that "LONDON BELONGS TO ME" cost more than £300,000 to make. I wish that Frank Launder and Sidney Gilliat, who spent it, had more to show me for it.

On the face of it, this is a big film. It rolls out at you from the screen with Big Ben booming, symphony orchestras whooping up the chords, and a vibrant, shot-silk voice telling you that you are going to see something torn from the dramatic heart of a great city.

But, for all these preliminary trimmings, I still had the feeling 112 minutes later that I had seen nothing more than a tinny story about a minor crime.

I walked out into the damp of the West End with the deflated knowledge that a mountain of British money and British brains had laboured and brought forth, if not a mouse, then only a Shetland pony of a film.

"London Belongs to Me" was a full book and a good book by Norman Collins—a picture of British money and British brains in a lower-middle-class street in South London. It still pretends to be that on the screen.

But what do we see? Merely Richard Attenborough being snubbed by the girl downstairs, Richard Attenborough stealing a car and killing a girl during a joy-ride, Richard Attenborough being convicted for murder.

It is true that a number of contiguous minor dramas are introduced—Alastair Sim trying to make a living as a fake medium, Stephen Murray and Fay Compton facing the trials of married life on a pension—but the kernel of the story is Attenborough's ride and its results.

It is a kernel too near the size of a pea in importance to deceive

me into thinking I am seeing the palpitating story of a city, or even of a street.

Dressed in a suit of its own size, I believe this would have been a taut, tense, effective film. It is frustrated by the immensity of its pretensions, thwarted by a false air of grandeur.

Still, it is a film with amusing moments, some fine character acting, and an impressive performance by pretty little Susan Shaw.

### Villainy

"BERLIN EXPRESS" is a film with pretensions, too, but somehow they don't seem so irritating.

I am—according to another of these disembodied voices—is to drive home the necessity of Four-Power unity over our policy towards the Germans.

But what it quickly boils down to is melodrama set chiefly amid the ruins of bombed-out Frankfurt.

The villains are a group of resentful Germans trying to resuscitate the Nazi Party; the heroes (some of them unwilling) a trio of American, British, and Russian officers, a French girl secretary, and a couple of "good" Germans.

Merle Oberon plays the part of the heroine with a phoney accent and her usual air of thinking about something else; Paul Lukas is a "good" German; and Robert Ryan, Robert Coote, and Roman Toporow are the three Allied officers who would like to be friends but don't know how.



RANDOLPH SCOTT (left) and Forrest Tucker come to blows during "Coroner Creek," a Western showing at the King's next week. Based on a Saturday Evening Post novel, the film follows Scott's chase through old-time Arizona after a "badman" responsible for the death of his fiancee, Marguerite Chapman.

## LOVE MAKES THE FILMS GO ROUND

By Stephen Watts

IT occurred to me during "An Act of Murder" that Fredric March and Florence Eldridge were doing something remarkably rare on the screen.

They were causing me to believe completely that I was watching two people in that intricate and hazardous state known as being in love.

When you consider that 99 per cent of films turn on that situation, it seems strange that the sense of conviction should come as a surprise.

I lay little stress on the fact that March and Miss Eldridge have in fact been married to one another for some 20 years. That would be belittling their professional ability, which is great.

It is simply that players and script rarely combine to achieve this end. Most films demand mere acceptance of the relationship between man and woman, and, hazily, we tend to accept.

And films might begin to move out of that convention-bound world in which is increasingly depicted what Woolcott Gibbs called "an astounding parody of life... in which anything is possible, including perfect happiness."

THE Marches, you see (to come

back to "An Act of Murder"), do not convey their mutual feelings in terms of rosy romance. In fact, their love is most affectingly realised in a situation of dire stress.

He knows she will die at any time of an incurable disease. He cannot bear to see her suffer, and plans a "mercy killing" which will destroy himself, too. He fails, and being an upright judge, insists he is a murderer.

The ending is pell-mellish, because the film resolutely sits on the fence about euthanasia. The Marches are well worth watching and the story grips most of the time.

As for the others, "The Secret Beyond the Door" is a piece-of-heavy-handed nonsense about a man who builds on to his house replicas of rooms in which murders have been committed.

Why does he do this? Because his mother was nasty to him when he was ten. The things Freud has to answer for!

Deanna Durbin sings nicely enough in "Up in Central Park" but the old gaiety and charm of her musicals is gone. And, how she is putting on weight.

I AM not attempting to produce a panacea for what's wrong with the generality of films, but if pro-

It was all photographed on the spot, has some exciting scenes amid the bomb-holes, the black market night clubs, and the immaculate headquarters of the Occupation Authority—and I send you along to it with my blessings.

### More Villainy

WHAT makes "KISS OF DEATH" a film to remember is the remarkable performance of a young man named Richard Widmark. Mr Widmark is a villain with fair hair, blue eyes, a furtive look, and a crooked laugh.

He likes strangling old ladies with telephone wire, visiting curious night spots that respectable bodies like you and me wouldn't know about, shooting people in the stomach, and twisting the arm of his ferocious girl friend.

He spends most of the film trying to practise these little pleasures on Victor Mature, an ex-gaol-bird, Coleen Gray, his wife, and two small children. Fortunately, just as his avid fingers are closing round them, police bullets hit him where it hurts most, and he ends up as a heap.

He will undoubtedly turn up in plenty of films after this. Meanwhile, he helps to make this a fascinating, if exhausting, film.

### Treachery

IN "SILVER RIVER" Errol Flynn

is a gambler who sends out his partner to be murdered by the Indians (settling Missouri, after the Civil War), so that he can marry his partner's wife, Ann Sheridan.

Flynn's fellow citizens are a trio shocked by this piece of treachery, but he says he is sorry about it in the end, and everyone promptly forgives him—especially Miss Sheridan.

## Britain Cuts The Colour

THEY will be taking the colour out of British films this year. The order has already been given at one studio.

Costs have got to come down still more, so most new pictures being planned will be in black and white. To make up for it: "Blue Lagoon" and "Christopher Columbus," two of the biggest colour subjects, are being pushed through for showing in the next few months.

There will be other changes. Not every British film will get a West End send-off. Mr Rank plans to show his Heggies family pictures at outer-West End and suburban cinemas. And only a few of his West End pictures will get a premiere on the old glamour lines.

## NO PAY FOR VALERIE

VALERIE HOBSON is one of the best-paid British film stars. But she drew no payment at all for her latest picture, "The Small Voice."

Her usual salary was debited to the cost of the production (which was well under £100,000). Every penny has been left untouched to



VALERIE HOBSON

help her husband, Anthony Hawley-Allan, who produced.

He will not draw a production fee from the company making the film (a company that he owns). The money will help to make new pictures; will make it unnecessary to wait for profits from "The Small Voice" to roll in.

Does Miss Hobson get compensation for this wifely gesture? Yes— from Mr Rank's organisation—which her husband left as a protest against high production costs.

Her own contract with them does not expire until April, is keeping her busy on a new picture at present.

Hawley-Allan's work as an independent is worth watching. His plans include a film of "Heroes Don't Care," an Arctic explorer satire which was a stage success 12 years ago—and a new starring vehicle for his wife.

FINAL SHOWING TO-DAY

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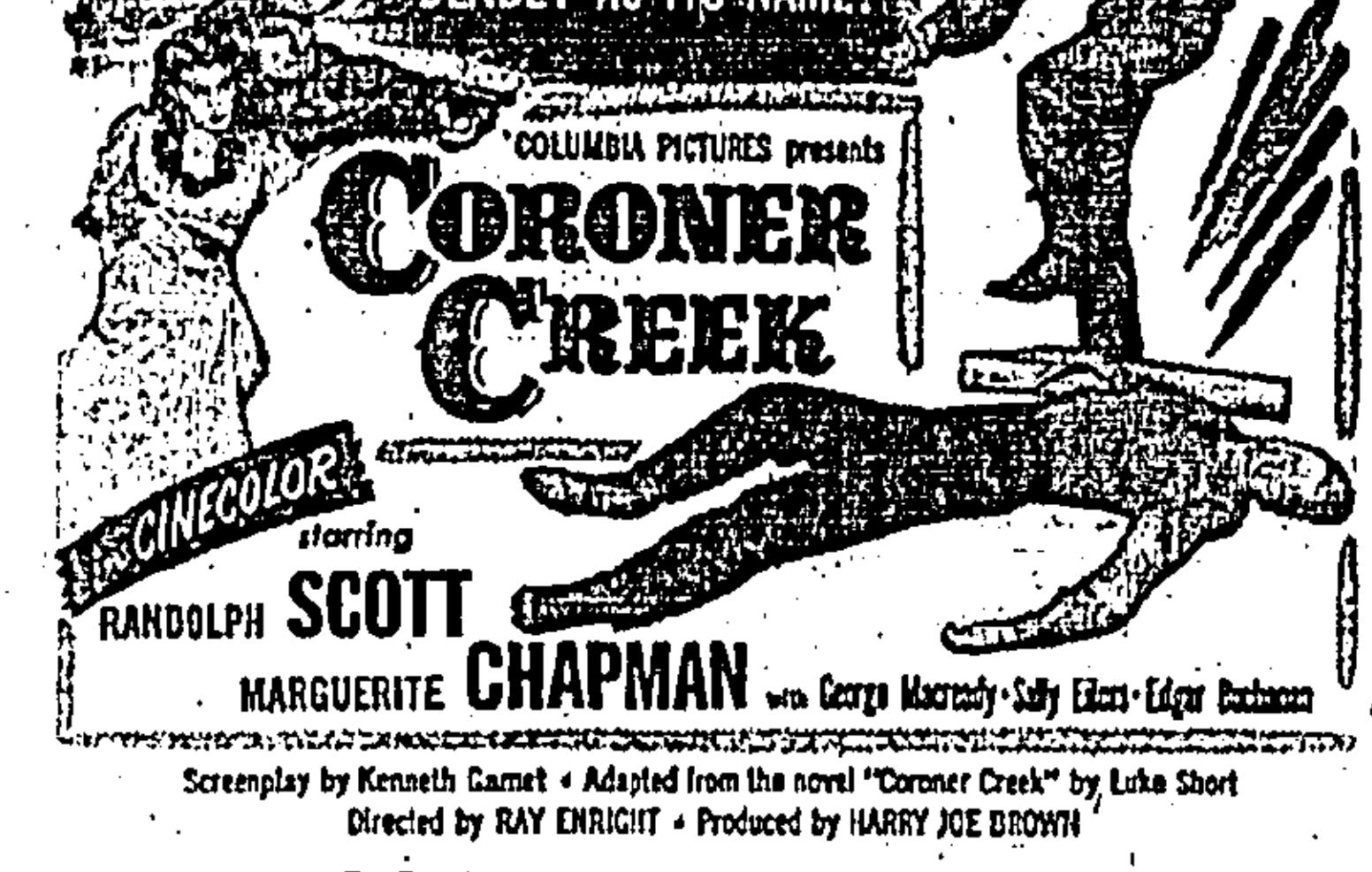


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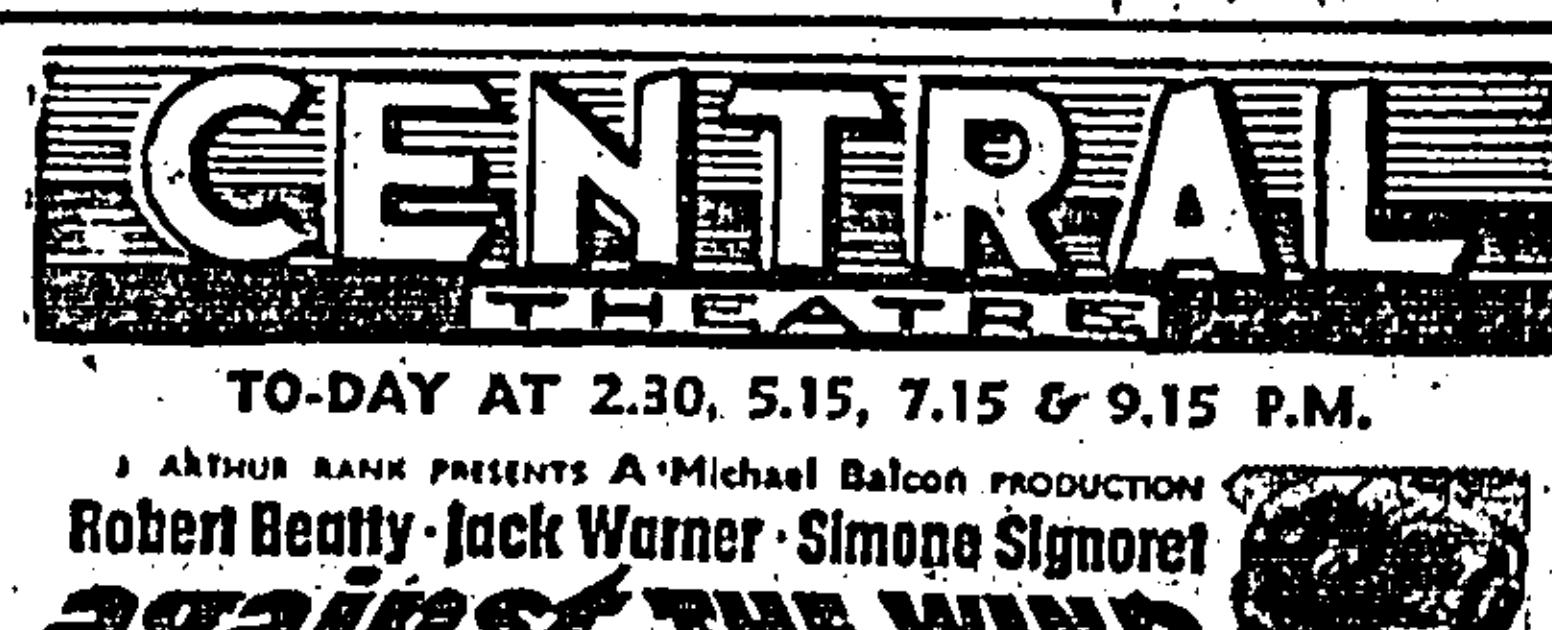
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# YOUR RADIO LISTENING FOR NEXT WEEK IN DETAIL—A "TELEGRAPH" FEATURE

## Memories Of Itma Broadcast From Radio Hongkong Tomorrow

Tomorrow night at 8.15 Radio Hongkong will broadcast a relay transcription from London of the Melodies from Itma show which was presented this week in memory of Britain's leading comedian, Tommy Handley, who died last Sunday after a seizure at his home.

The programme consists of songs and melodies from Itma shows since they began in 1939, but includes no speaking parts.

Of local interest is Saturday Round-up tonight, when F/L G. Francis, AFC, pilot of the Vampire jet fighter which made a forced landing in Blas Bay on Tuesday, will be brought to the microphone. The week's programme in detail is:

**TOMORROW**

12.30 Daily Programme Summary. 12.32 Great General Programme with Dennis Noble (Baritone) and Dennis Noble (Baritone). 1.15 NEWS WEATHER REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS. 1.25 Interlude. 1.30 Ted Heath and His Orchestra with Paul Carpenter (Vocal). 2.00 Close Down.

6.00 PROGRAMME SUMMARY.

6.01 UNFAIR QUEST.

6.02 Linda Carter Calling—S.H.Q. Workshops RAF, Kaitak.

7.00 WORLD NEWS AND NEWS ANALYSIS (LONDON RELAY).

7.15 GENEALOGY (Piano) "On the Air."

Destiny: Misouri: Naughty waltz; Impromptu by Gibson: Etton Boat: song: Always: You forgot to remember: Merry Widow.

7.30 GRAND HOTEL.

Albert Sandler and the Palm Court Orchestra with Freda Townsend (Contralto).

Roers from the South: Gipsy song (Carmen): O for the wings of a dove: Show me the way: Spring medley: The Quaker Girl: Selection: Happy Wedding.

8.00 "FROM THE EDITORIALS" (LONDON RELAY).

8.10 RADIO SUNDAY ROUND-UP.

8.30 STUDIO: SPORTS REPORT.

8.30 Wagner: "Die Walkure" Act 1.

Sieglinde—Soprano: Lotte Lehmann: Siegmund—Tenor: Lauritz Melchior: Hindemith: Emanuel List: With the Vienna Philharmonic Orch. conducted by Bruno Walter.

8.35 Interlude.

8.40 Melody (Ketelby)—Albert Sandler, Violin.

8.40 Piano Recital by Elleen Joyce.

Valse in E Major (Mozart): Fur Elise: Moonlight: Toccatina (Brahms): Intermezzo No. 6 (Brahms); 2nd Impromptu (Gabriel Faure).

10.00 RADIO NEWSPR. (LONDON RELAY).

10.15 WEATHER REPORT.

10.14 "Cabaré" and Dance Music.

Special delivery stamp (Shaw—Arte Shaw): The Geometry of Love (Shaw): Eric Whistone and His Band: Julie Whistone and His Band: Vocal: Julie Down: If you are but a dream—Fox-trot (Jaffe): Jimmy Dorsey and His Orch.

Vocal: Bob Eberly: A new baby (Shaw): I think I'm a woman (Shaw): Dina Shore: Minnie from Trinidad: Red Frangipani: Violin Band.

Vocal: The Hudson Sisters: You're a Fox-trot (Bartók): The light fantastic toe (from Minuet by Boccherini): Joe Loss and His Orchestra: Terese (Hussin): Vocal: Jean Cavall, with Philip Green and His Orch:

10.20 RADIO NEWSPR.

10.25 STUDIO: "COME TO THE PROMS."

BBC Symphony Orchestra: conducted by Sir Malcolm Sargent: Jean Pople (Violin): Violin Concerto in D: Beethoven: Polovtsian Dances (Prince Igor) Borodin.

11.15 FROM THE CHILDREN'S HOUR.

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6.15 LISTENERS' CHOICE.

7.00 THE NEWS

7.10 NEWS ANALYSIS

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6.15 ACCORDING CLUB

6.20 THE NEWS

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6.00 SCIENCE AND EVERYDAY LIFE.

A talk on remembering and forgetting by H. F. Lock.

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6.00 THE MAKING OF A PLAY

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6.10 "MUSICAL PATTERNS"

6.15 "SCHESS": An illustrated talk by Joseph Conrad.

6.20 THE NEWS

7.10 NEWS ANALYSIS

7.15 LIGHT MUSIC

7.45 GENERALLY SPEAKING

8.00 MUSIC FROM THE FILMS

8.10 MUSIC FROM THE BALLET

8.45 LIGHT MUSIC

9.00 THE NEWS

9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN

9.15 "SCHESS": A talk by H. N. Russell.

12.00 MIDNIGHT THE NEWS

**SUNDAY, JAN. 16**

6.00 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

6.15 THREE'S COMPANY

Anne Shelton, Pete Johnson, and Albert Aronson (Hymns and Psalms).

6.30 CHURCH MAGAZINE

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# Bonnie Prince Charlie



## A SPECIAL HOROSCOPE

By STELLA

**P**RINCE Charles Philip Arthur George of Edinburgh, born to Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh at 9:14 British time on the evening of November 14, 1948, is a true Scorpio, as was his great-grandfather, Edward VII, who was born on November 9, 1841. Nearly a century separates the birth of these two, but according to the stars they are more than bloodkin. They are star-kin, sharing both the talents and the liabilities of the Scorpio-born.

What then, have the stars to say concerning "Bonnie Prince Charlie," who one day may rule over the empire that his great-great-great-grandmother, Queen Victoria, welded together as a constitutional monarchy during her 63-year reign and over which his great-great-grandfather ruled as personal monarch but a single decade? Will he be over-protected by his mother, Princess Elizabeth, as was Edward VII by his mother, Queen Victoria?

This, say the stars, is unlikely. For the new little Prince has inherited from his day's forecast a more aggressive and combative nature. The same high, personal magnetism—amounting almost to a hypnotic power—is his. But this new prospective heir to the throne will fight for what he wants—for good or ill. But, always, he will fight.

### Health Robust

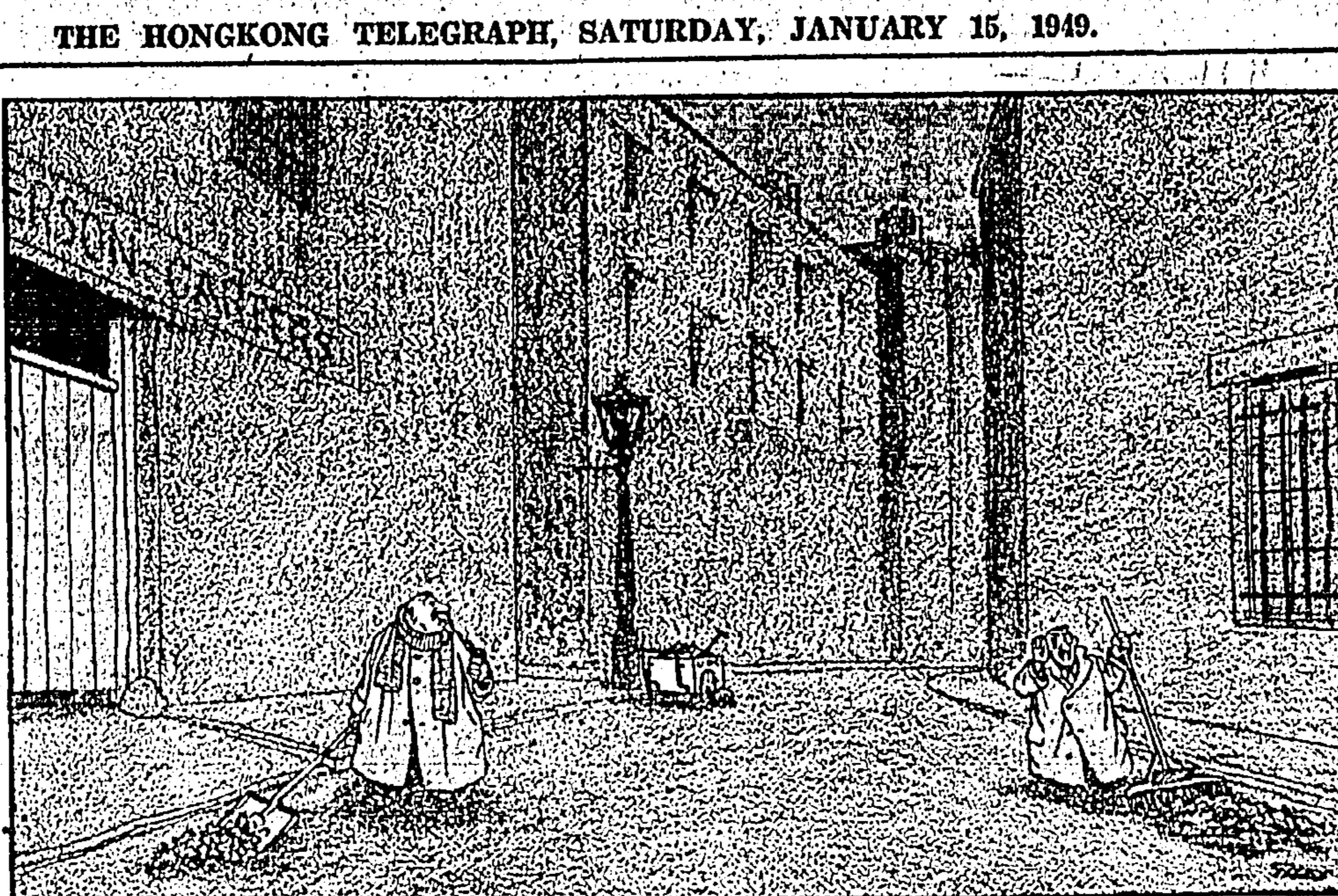
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### Strict Control

The general health should be robust, although there is a tendency towards physical exertion which must be restrained. In later life he should guard against intestinal disorders by a simple diet. All types of stimulants should be avoided. There is a tendency to place too much credulity in the occult and the mysterious. The mind, rather than impulse, should guide all important decisions and actions.

### The stars say to Prince Charles:

What you will to be, you may be, without restriction. For there is determination, patience and power in your forcefulness—the gift of the stars to all those born at your hour on your day who develop their talents to the utmost and become the perfected type.



"Now Year, I said—A flower unblown; a book unread; a tree with fruit unharvested; a path untrod; to—But never mind, never mind."

### TWELFTH INSTALMENT:

## EISENHOWER WAS MY BOSS

By KAY SUMMERSBY

**B**IG Brass gathered for the early training of the Prince, for more than many, as the "twig is bent, to does the tree incline." For the Scorpio-born, as a member of the Eighth House, is ruled by Mars, the ancient god of war. The earliest symbol of the sign was the eagle-proud of its flight, bitter in battle.

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The ride ended before a large villa reserved for General Eisenhower. "But, isn't it?" he said sheepishly as we looked around. Then he seemed to realize we were "excess baggage" for the official entourage, with no assigned quarters. "Where are you girls going to stay?" he asked.

"Don't worry about us, Sir," Louise said. "We're used to taking care of ourselves. We'll find a place."

The General insisted we remain in his villa. "Butch isn't here and I'll be lonely in this little place," he emphasized. "And I'll be away at meetings most of the time, so you can have the house pretty much to yourselves."

### A Home In Cairo

IT was irregular, but well-appreciated. We had found a home in Cairo. An officer in charge of the General's arrangements moved the three beds into a room on the ground floor section, which had the added attraction of a private bath.

The real thrill of our visit came when General Marshall, alarmed at the haggard, harridan look of his Mediterranean commander, directed General Eisenhower to take a few days' rest before returning to the Italian campaign. The Chief of Staff, in fact, ordered General Ike to take three days for a complete holiday. Always the good soldier and well aware of his poor mental and physical health, Ike agreed—but where could he go for absolute change, privacy and rest?

Air Chief Marshal Tedder, long an Eisenhower intimate, came up with the perfect answer—Luxor.

One of his personal friends was Major Emery, the noted archaeologist. Would the General be interested in a specially conducted tour of Luxor and the burial grounds of the Pharaohs? He could retreat several thousand years from the nervous present. As further bait, Tedder offered the use of his own plane.

General Ike, a lifelong student of history, leaped at the opportunity. And, ever unselfish, he invited along several of his party, Elliott Roosevelt, Tex, Ruth, Louise, and I accepted. I, for one, was frankly thrilled at this chance to see Luxor, Karnak, and a part of the past which had intrigued me since school days.

**I**deas A Corker

WHEN we got back to Cairo, General Marshall knew at once that his idea of a holiday for the Supreme Commander had been a corker. In fact, General Ike looked no rested and energetic that his Boss insisted upon another tour, if only a quick one.

"What are you girls going to do today?" he asked us in the villa after his session at the conference with General Marshall.

"We're going shopping," I said.

"And maybe go slumming to see the real Cairo."

He smiled. "Well, you can go shopping if you want to. Or you can come with me...to Palestine!"

The choice was obvious as well as welcome.

Returning from Cairo to Algiers, I began digging away at the minor mountain of paper accumulated on my desk.

Memories of Egypt and Palestine faded completely as I worked late each night to reduce those piles of the General's "fan mail."

Like everyone else at headquarters, however, I was still busier on

uncivilized duties...working overtime on the old rumour that General Marshall, not General Ike, would head the new American Expeditionary Force building in Britain, and that Ike would go to Washington to become Chief of Staff.

But on December 7, the anniversary of Pearl Harbour, the message came through General Eisenhower

would be top boss of "Overlord," the all-out assault upon Nazi Europe.

This happy news, contained in a vague message from General Mar-

schein,

large that, as someone put it, rain clouds often formed in the distant ceiling. The kitchen was as spacious as General Eisenhower's entire office at Amherst. The overall impression, in fact, was so eerie

that we moved our beds into the protecting room, for mutual comfort.

Butch, the inveterate trall-blazer,

also had located Prince Umberto's

hunting lodge on a nearby mountain-side. I remember it particularly

## SINATRA OF THE PULPIT

By James Cooper

CALGARY, Alberta.

**B**IBLE-LOVER Ernest Charles Manning, the 40-year-old Premier of Alberta and the youngest Premier in the Commonwealth, enlarged his own empire recently when, over Calgary radio station CFCN, he broadcast his weekly sermon for the Prophetic Bible Institute.

In the five-and-a-half years he has been Premier his Bible interpretations to 800 worshippers in the red brick and stucco Institute have become top listening for 250,000 listeners in the prairie provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan (an area as big as Britain, France and Germany together).

The difference in this last broadcast was that recordings were made of the strong, resonant voice of the slim, 3st, 12lb. evangelist, whose corn-coloured hair strays over his high forehead and rimless glasses.

These recordings, for rebroadcast, will go 1,000 miles west over the Rockies to Vancouver, British Columbia, east to Regina, Saskatchewan, and finally to Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Soon what is known as Canada's Bible Belt, "of black earth and white hearts," may stretch across half a continent.

And Canadian politicians are wondering if politics, according to the gospel of Manning, will sweep through other provinces as they have through Alberta.

Ex-farmer boy Manning may put preaching before politics, may deny that he is a politician, but he heads Alberta's Social Credit Government.

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As £1,125 a year Premier he has changed the policy from one of radical monetary reform to that of Right-wing free enterprise. This policy suits the booming province's farmers and oilmen so well that this year they returned him to office with 51 out of the 57 seats.

Now his party is committed to try to extend what today passes for Social Credit into other provinces. His enemies say that Manning, as Frank Sinatra of the pulpit, can best do this through the Bible Institute, a branch of the Baptist Church.

It is difficult to decide which is religion and which is politics in the Manning make-up.

When Manning was 16 he bought a radio set and heard by chance the booming voice of "Bible Bill" Aberhart (pronounced Ayberhart), the founder of the Institute. Says Manning: "It got me."

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He packed up, went to Calgary, lived with the Aberharts as their first pupil, became the first graduate of the Institute.

When Aberhart accepted Social Credit so did Manning. When Aberhart slumped the province Manning was with him. When Aberhart became Premier, Manning, only 27, became provincial secretary. When Aberhart died it took only seconds for Cabinet colleagues to choose Manning as Premier.

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Now politics and religion go hand in hand. There is a Bible in the Premier's office. Both Social Credit and Institute meetings open with prayer.

The hymn, "O God, our help in ages past," is sung so often at Social Credit meetings that it has been dubbed their campaign song. Second choice is "Onward, Christian soldiers."

Manning is no milk-and-water campaigner. He looks undistinguished and, as he builds a fence or shovels snow around his seven-roomed house in Edmonton, he might pass for a suburban bank clerk.

But most people say that with

Mormon Bishop Nathan Tanner, Minister of Resources, and United Church minister Peter Dawson, the Speaker, he has given the province of 846,000 people an honest Government.

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TELLING TALES

... of the kind of world we are living in today

It was lunchtime at the Unesco assembly. A group of women "workers" was seated at one table.

The waitress approached and said: "Will you have Russian or French dressing with your salad?" Whereupon an earnest little woman at the table spoke up excitedly: "Let's all have Russian dressing—it may help us to understand each other better."

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A Communist agent was doing his rounds in Tuscany, keeping peasants up to the mark. "If you had two farms," he asked one peasant, "what would you do?"

"I would give one to the State and farm the other myself."

"Good," said the Communist agent. "Now, what would you do if you had two cows?" The peasant scratched his head, and then said: "I would give one to the State and milk the other to the best of my ability."

"If you had two bicycles," the Communist agent pressed, "what would you do?"

The peasant said nothing. No amount of prompting would make him answer.

That night a friend said to the peasant: "Why didn't you answer about the bicycles—you were doing so well till then?"

"I have two bicycles," said the peasant.

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ABOVE are seen officers and nurses of the Nursing Division of the St John Ambulance Brigade marching to St John's Cathedral last Sunday when the Brigade turned out for a church parade. Right: Colonel Sir James Sleeman, Chief Commissioner of the St John Ambulance Brigade Overseas (extreme right), photographed outside St John headquarters with Mr A. J. Arculli (left), Hongkong Commissioner, Mr J. B. Trevor, Assistant Commissioner, and, in the rear, Mr R. A. Edwards, Corps Officer. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

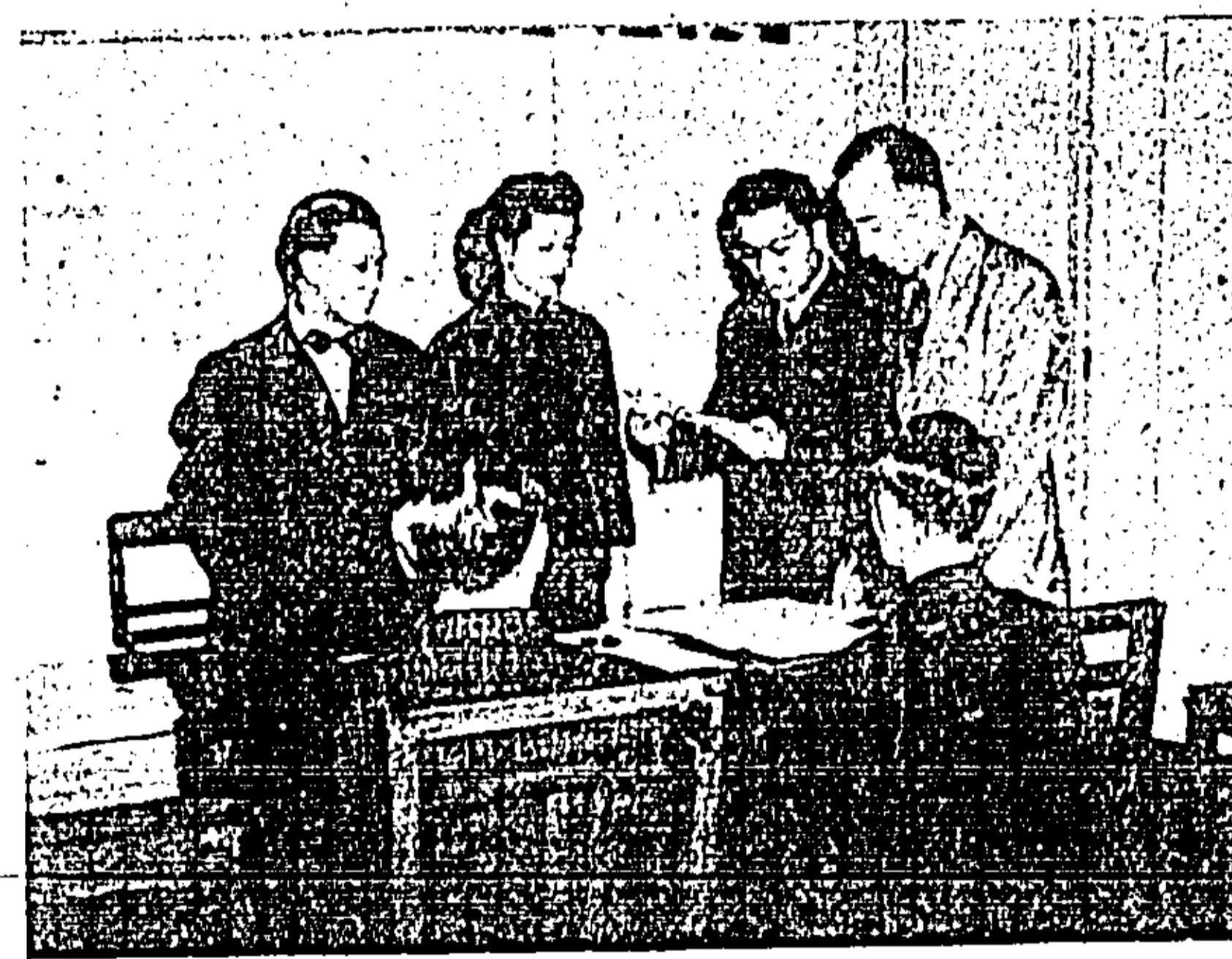
BELOW: Photo taken outside St John's Cathedral last Saturday after the wedding of Mr Douglas Gerald Howitt and Miss Mario-Antoinette Francois Dubois. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



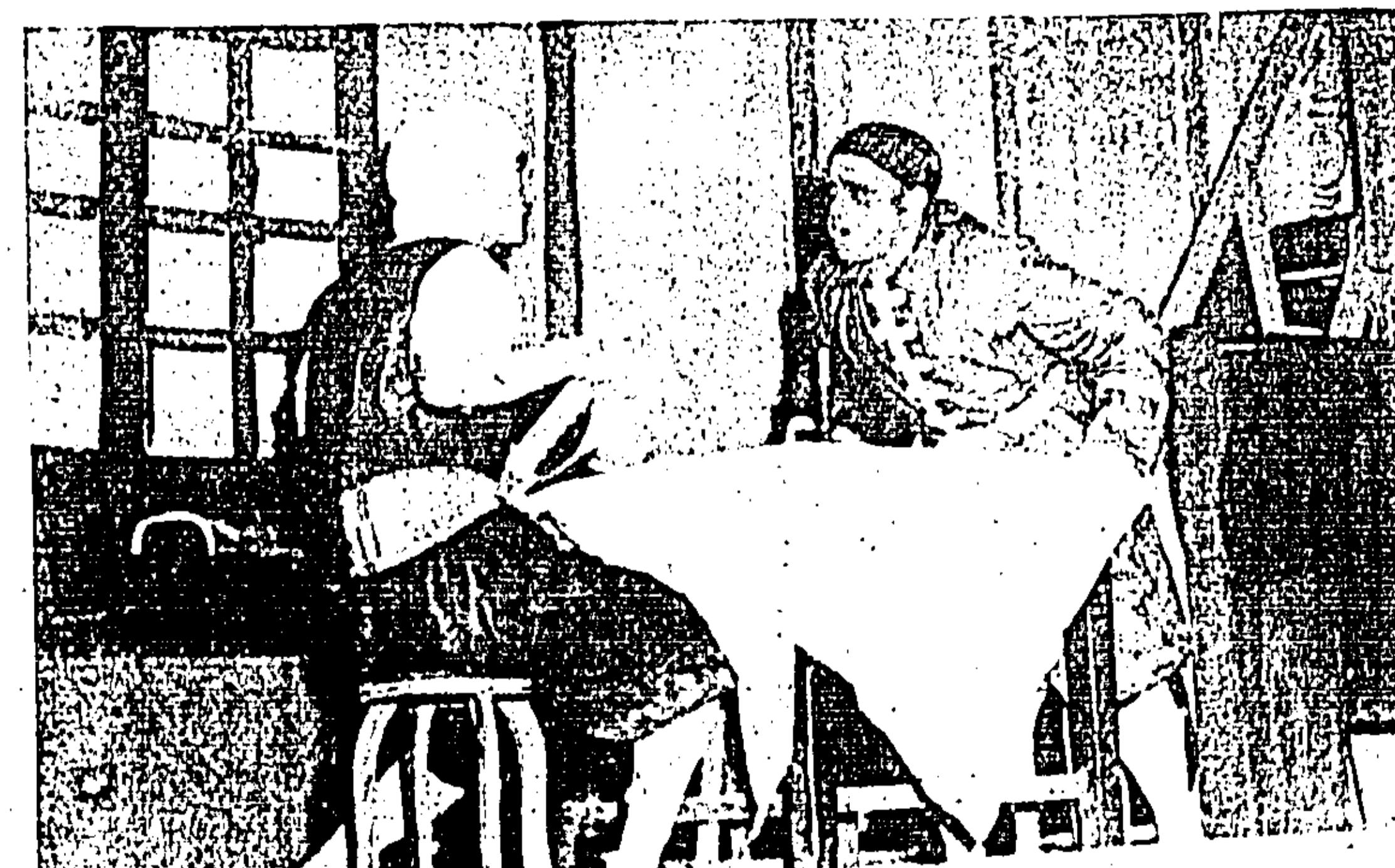
ONE of the season's most brilliant social functions was St George's Ball, held at the Peninsula Hotel last week. Immediately above, the official party, including HE the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, heading the list of distinguished guests, is seen going in to supper, preceded by the Fifes and Drums of the 1st Battalion, The Buffs. Above right: the President of St George's Society, Lt-Col E. J. R. Mitchell, speaking during the course of the evening. Below and at right are two scenes taken in the Ballroom. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



LEFT: Mr Robert Joseph Chu and his bride, formerly Miss Mary Frances Swaine, smile happily after their wedding at St Margaret's Church last Sunday. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



PICTURE taken at the Registry on the occasion of the marriage of Mr Ko Chun-tung, son of Mr Ko Cheuk-hung, Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and Miss Tso Fung-ping. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



LAVISH and colourful was the Hongkong Stage Club's production of "Treasure Island," given at the China Fleet Club last week. Both the decor and the portrayals were described as ambitious and imaginative. Here are two scenes from the play. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



MARSHAL of the Royal Air Force Lord Douglas of Kirtleside arrived in Hongkong for a short visit during the week. He was the guest during his stay of HE the Governor at Government House. Lord Douglas (right) is pictured stepping ashore at Kai Tak. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



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# WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

## Elegant Theatre Suit



BY PRUNELLA WOOD

OUTSTANDING in the parade of wonderful fashions for after-dark occasions, this sooty-black formal, shorter gown and shoulder wrapping wrap to match. Slim as a costume can be, closely moulded as a dressmaker can contrive it, the model is yet an easy and elegant creation.

The fabric is black silk crepe, entirely covered with black soutache braid stitching, in effect like a fabulous, sheer fur. The wrap-tight caplet is held together by a hook easily manipulated, centre back at the waistline. The frock has a low, round neckline back and front, almost no sleeves, and is totally without accent trimming. Shown with it is a small black velvet half-hat, with glycerined ostrich trim.



## Dress Up Dishes With Herbs

THE booth that attracted most attention at the recent Old Fashioned Food and Candy Bazaar in Detroit was the exhibit of herbs. From the moment the doors opened until closing time, crowds clustered around to share in the "Food Spree" tasting; to ask questions about cooking with herbs; and to buy one or more basic herbs as a starter for their own herb shelf.

"I am very glad to see that the ladies are taking an interest in herbs," said the Chef. "They are very important in cooking, especially in preparing budget-priced fish, meats and vegetables."

"There's one special idea from this Food Spree that I want to pass on to our readers for their holiday entertaining," I said. "It's what I call 'Pic Cookery': that is when small, neatly cut bites of savoury food are served on cocktail picks or toothpicks."

"Ah, that is what we call the bonne bouche in French; it means the good little mouthful. It is just large enough to entice you to eat another."

"The bouchees which made the greatest hit were half slices of cucumber which had been allowed to stand in soured cream seasoned with horseradish vinegar, then dusted with parsley," I commented.

### Cream Cheese

"And the bouchees of cream cheese were very interesting," observed the Chef. "I liked the kind made by mashing cream cheese, and adding two tablespoons finely-minced tender raw spinach with a pinch of mixed herbs. You shape the cheese balls with the hands or butter paddles, and roll in fine-minced spinach. For colour and flavour contrast, the little balls made by mixing cream cheese with herb-flavoured mustard are very good. These can be rolled in sliced hard-cooked egg yolk to give a bright yellow colour. For a third kind of cheese balls, I like to season the cream cheese with crushed dill seed and catsup, and dust the balls with paprika. Then you have green, yellow and red herb-cream cheese balls served on the picks."

"For the meat bouchees I like good cooked ham dipped in mustard sauce, heated with just a pinch of powdered basil. And nothing is more tasty than plain pork sausage, boiled for ten minutes, then browned, sliced into bouchees and

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## PRACTICAL HOMECRAFT

## ★ NEW CURTAINS FOR SMART ROOMS ★

Dermatitis  
Caused By  
Clothing

By Herman N. Bundesen

YOU really have to have an attack of inflammation of the skin, or dermatitis, to realize how distressing it is because of the itching and skin rash which it produces. And one thing most people don't realize is that it is not unusual for skin inflammation to be caused by contact with certain articles of clothing. The inflammation in such cases usually begins about five days or more after the garment was first worn.

The skin rash is, as a rule, sharply limited and confined to the area of skin which has been touched by the garment causing the difficulty.

In some few instances, the rash may be generalized, due to the fact that the chemicals causing the disturbance have been absorbed through the skin and carried to various parts of the body. In these cases, however, there is often fever together with the skin rash. The skin rash itself may be limited to redness of the skin, or it may be made up of a swollen area covered with pimples or blisters.

If the clothing is responsible for the rash and a piece of it is cut off and fastened to the skin with adhesive tape, redness of the skin will develop in this area. This procedure is called a "patch test."

## Finish on Fabric

To find the actual irritating chemical in the garment, it may be necessary to determine from the manufacturer the names and types of dyes and finishes employed on the fabric. The patient may then be tested with these materials to see whether or not he is sensitive to them.

Once the diagnosis of dermatitis from wearing apparel is made, the treatment is simple. The garment causing the trouble should under no circumstances be worn again, and some soothing preparation should be put on to the skin. With this treatment, a cure usually soon results.

The finishes on the fabrics are the most frequent cause of skin inflammation due to garments. These finishes are put on fabrics to make them look and feel better, and to give longer wearing qualities.

Of course, dermatitis may be produced by contact with leather, furs, rubber articles, and jewellery. It must be remembered, however, that regardless of what substance causes the rash, it is always made worse if wool is worn next to the irritable part of the skin. As a rule, a skin specialist can determine just what article of apparel is causing the disturbance in a particular person, so that further contact with it may be avoided.

HOUSEHOLD  
HINTS

SEE that the children have good light for their homework. If they use the dining room table for their work, better move a study lamp there, as dining room fixtures are seldom adequate lighting for reading. A table study lamp should be tall enough and have a shade broad enough to spread a wide circle of light, so that a child can sit up comfortably when reading. The lamp-shade should have a white lining and slanting sides to reflect all light possible. For best reading conditions, the room should have general lighting in addition to clear direct light on the work.

If you cannot remove a white stain from a table or other piece of finished furniture with olive oil or oil of peppermint, try again with cigarette ashes added to the oil.

DRAPERIES OF PLASTIC FILM in soft decorator colours were featured in the living room of a three-room all-plastics apartment shown recently in New York. To clean, the draperies need merely be wiped with a damp cloth.



## Advice to a Young Husband

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

HAVING been married, happily, I believe, to the same wife for 36 years, I'm going to venture a few suggestions to the young fellow just married.

I assume that you really wish to make a go of your marriage and to be sure you contribute your full share to this success. One simple rule will help you best: Put foremost the lasting happiness of your wife, treating her always as the sacred personality she is. Assuming that she and you are physically fit, you won't need to have concern about sex adjustments. In case you will have closely to the foregoing rule.

Now here are some matters which, though seemingly small, are very big, as you will discern if you will weigh their psychological significance. You like to see your wife neat, tidy and attractive. She also likes to see you so.

## Self-Discipline

Keep yourself under strict self-discipline, always, never growing careless of your considerations and courtesies and personal appearance, never neglecting to shave, for example, and to be clean and tidy when relaxing at home or appearing at meals. Whether you and she eat in the dining room or any other place, never begin to eat until she also is ready. The temptation will be great for you to begin the meal before she has.

Just this simple consideration can do more to build for her happiness and yours than you can easily imagine. As you see, if you begin to eat before she, you put her on an inferior footing. Then, if after the first child arrives, you should go on without waiting, see the possible ill effects to him.

If you have the silly notion that you should not deign to help your wife prepare the meal, wash the

By MARION CLYDE McCARROLL

NEW things in curtains are cropping out all over! Not only new materials, but new ideas that make it easier to put curtains up, keep them clean and so on. Keeping windows smartly dressed is no longer the back-breaking and expensive proposition it used to be, by any means.

Take, for example, the matter of lace curtains, which are back in high style again.

Today, you can get them woven of nylon on lace looms, making them light and filmy, as well as very simple to keep that way. In addition to staying clean longer than the old-fashioned lace curtains since the smoothness of nylon retards soiling, they can be washed quickly by hand and dried without need of stretchers. All that's necessary is to hang them on the clothes line till the water has drained off, then put them right back on the curtain rods to finish drying.

These nylon lace curtains come in ten patterns, including small geometric motifs and large overall floral designs.

Then there are the curtains made of plastic film, which can be had to match bedspreads of the same material, and the plastic film draperies in soft decorator colours. Laundering here is merely a matter of wiping clean with a damp cloth. These curtains, draperies and bedspreads were seen at a recent exhibition in New York of all-plastics three room apartment.

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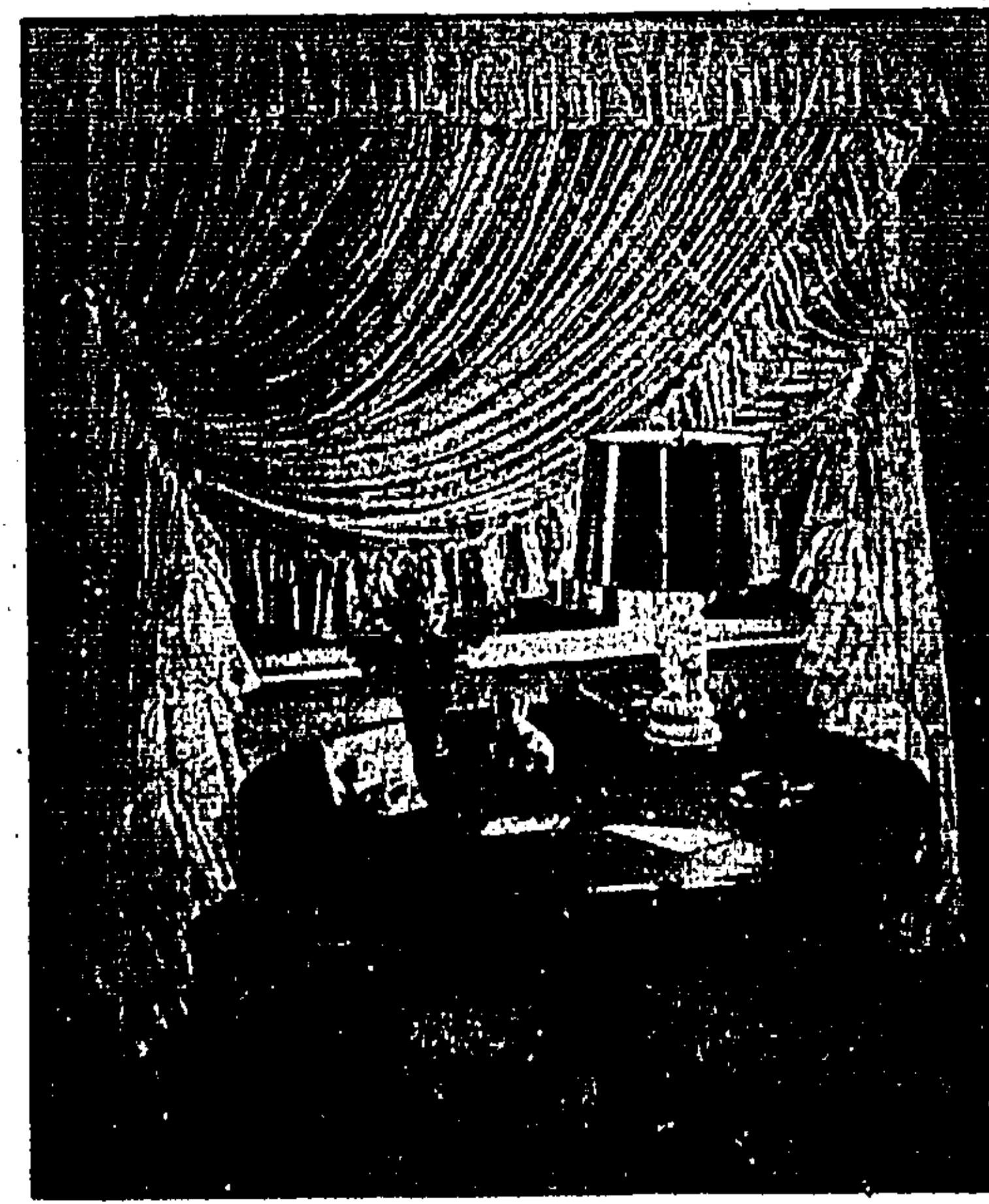
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MR S. C. Lau, former Senior Superintendent of Police (R), who resigned from the Police Reserve after more than 20 years, was the guest of honour at a cocktail party held on Tuesday at the Police Reserve Club. A presentation was made to Mr Lau (in centre above) by the Commissioner of Police, Mr D. W. MacIntosh. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



MISS Lo Tak-ching, the well-known swimmer, was married to Mr Chan Yuot-ming at the Registry recently.



THE Hon. Arthur Morse, President of the Hongkong Football Association, speaking at the dinner given at the Hongkong Hotel last week in honour of the visiting Korean football team. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



THESE two pictures were made at the Sacred Heart School last week when the past students held a reunion. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



MR Antonio Maria Placo Souza and his bride, formerly Miss Olga Teresa Cordeiro. They were married at the Rosary Church last week. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



PHOTO taken after the christening at St. Andrew's Church last Sunday of Peter William, son of Mr and Mrs William Henry Summers. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



HE the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, Chief Scout of Hongkong, inspecting a Scout camp at Saiwan, which he visited last Saturday. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



MR Peter Pike and his bride, the former Miss Stella Romor, leaving St John's Cathedral after their wedding last Saturday. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

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LEFT: The Hon. P. S. Cassidy, managing director of Messrs John D. Hutchinson and Co., Ltd., introducing a guest to Mr. F. E. Day, director of Messrs. A. G. Kidston and Parker Ltd., London, in whose honour a cocktail party was given at the Hongkong Hotel on Tuesday. Below: Mr. J. L. C. Pearce with a group of Chinese guests at the function. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

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# BOTTLE OF POISON IN THE WALL

It was in Biarritz that Mrs Mabel Jones, wife of the licensee of the Blue Anchor Hotel, Bylect, met the flamboyant little Frenchman Jean Pierre Vaquier.

Between them a strange liaison arose, and when Mrs Jones left, Vaquier followed from Biarritz to London, from London to the Blue Anchor in Surrey. There he stayed. One morning, Mrs Jones' husband died, poisoned with strychnine.

The trial of the bearded Vaquier provided the great legal drama of 1921. Sir Patrick Hastings, then Attorney-General, led for the Crown. Here he describes the scenes in Court.

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In some ways the trial of Vaquier was a very remarkable one.

The prisoner was French, and the evidence had to be translated.

Vquier's overweening vanity was self-evident, but his knowledge of criminal procedure came entirely from the French courts.

He expected to be bullied not only by the prosecuting counsel but by the judge himself. He expected to be shouted at and called an assassin.

The studied impartiality with which he was treated appeared to raise in his mind an entirely erroneous belief.

As nobody shouted at him he thought they liked him; as nobody called him an assassin he seemed to think that nobody thought that he was one.

He appeared to be under the belief that the case was proceeding in an atmosphere of kindness which could only end in a triumphant acquittal.

## The morning after the party

Alfred Jones had died on March 29, the day after a party at which there was a good deal of heavy drinking.

After any night of indulgence Mr Jones made a habit of drinking bromo salts in the morning, the bottle being kept in the bar parlour. On the morning after the party Jones had gone into the parlour, poured a dose of salts into a glass, and died in agony the same day from strychnine poisoning.

Mrs Jones, the first witness, was obviously in a somewhat unsympathetic position. Her intrigue with Vaquier as it developed became blatant and indeed contemptible.

The picture of a sorrowful wife was difficult to make convincing, and her evidence upon the whole might seem to require considerable corroboration.

The main interest in the trial so far as her evidence was concerned necessarily centred around her cross-examination.

The outstanding problem which must have been present to the mind of every counsel concerned in the case was a statement made by Vaquier that he was in a position to identify the murderer.

It was thought possible that the cross-examination of Mrs Jones might throw some light upon this suggestion.

No one at the Bar was more experienced in defending a prisoner upon trial for murder than Sir Henry Curtis-Bennett.

No one could have worked harder in defence of a prisoner than Sir Henry in his efforts for Vaquier. But his cross-examination of Mrs Jones threw little light upon the major problem.

There was certainly no possible suggestion against George, the potman at the Blue Anchor, of whom Vaquier had said: "He has an incontestable ascendancy over Mrs Jones." There was a vague suggestion that she had a solicitor who was in love with her, and that was all.

Two servants were called. The main point emerging from their evidence consisted in the peculiarity of Vaquier's determination to sit in the cold and cheerless bar parlour on the morning of Jones's death; the

Man under death sentence gives clue to a strange discovery

prosecution seeking to infer that he was keeping watch on the bottle of bromo salts which was kept in the parlour.

The other material point against him was the fact that

by Sir

*Patrick Hastings*

K.C.



"Perhaps he had no change."

"Did you ever give him the change that you must have got from buying the strychnine?"

"No, he never asked me."

From that moment the absurdity of the prisoner's suggestion became more and more pronounced. I next directed his attention to the signature upon the poison book.

"What is the name you have written there?"

"Vanker."

"Why did you not put your real name?"

"Because I had been told that when you buy poison you never sign your own name."

"Who told you that?"

"The solicitor."

"Did the gentleman who asked you to buy the poison tell you to sign a false name?"

"Yes."

Child could have killed him

"Did it strike you as odd that a complete stranger who wanted to poison a dog was telling you to sign a false name?"

"No."

I then left the poison book and went to the purchase of the chloroform.

"What did you want 100 grammes of chloroform for?"

"For my personal use."

"Had you seen Mr Jones run in his hotel at times? I carried him three times to bed."

"Did it ever enter your mind that if anybody wanted to kill Mr Jones that would be the most easy time to do it?"

"No."

"At the time when you carried Mr Jones up to bed would it have been easy to give him chloroform?"

"It was easy to give him anything you like. He was so insensible that he could easily have been suffocated with chloroform—very easy; a child could have killed him."

"What did you do with the chloroform?"

"I inhaled it to sleep."

From the movement in court it might have appeared that those answers alone were enough to seal the prisoner's fate:

"Do you know what strychnine is?"

"I knew it was a deadly poison."

"Has anybody ever asked you before to buy dangerous poisons for them?"

"Nobody."

"Was it only the second time that you had seen the solicitor of Mrs Jones that he asked you to buy strychnine?"

"Yes."

"So the person who asked you to buy the strychnine was somebody to whom you had never spoken before?"

"I had never spoken to him before."

"Did you know of any reason why he could not buy the poison for himself?"

"He told me he was very busy and had not time to buy it."

"He gave you a sovereign for the purchase?"

"A pound note."

"Did that strike you as a large sum of money to buy enough strychnine for one dog?"

"I said that the solicitor of Mrs Jones could not have put the poison in the bottle since he had not been there for eight days."

"What did you mean by your statement in which you say this: 'I think the second act of the drama will be the disappearance of the wife of George'?"

"Because George had not perhaps a clear conscience with regard to Mrs Jones because he might know something."

"Did you not mean by that suggestion that the next person to be murdered would be George's wife?"

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Although Sir Henry did his best for the prisoner it was impossible for him to create very much effect, and indeed the only point of his final speech was based upon the curious fact that the only strychnine traced to the prisoner was the small amount of 12 of a grammé, whereas Sir Bernard Spilsbury had stated that at least two grammes were found in the dead man's body.

This point assumed even more importance at a very much later stage of this strange story.

Mr Justice Avory summed up, the jury retired, and upon their return found the prisoner "Guilty."

For the first time Vaquier lost his self-control. He screamed that he was innocent, that his trial had been unfair, and he had to be forcibly removed, shouting and raving from the dock.

But this was not the last act of this strange drama. While Vaquier was in prison awaiting execution, information was conveyed to me of a curious statement which he had made from his cell.

He alleged that a few days after the murder he had seen from his window at the Blue Anchor a woman go to a building attached to the hotel and conceal something in the wall; and further that he, Vaquier, had subsequently found a loose brick in the wall; that he had removed it and that he had found there the identical bottle of strychnine he had purchased from the chemist.

Found behind a loose brick

I directed the police to search for themselves. The loose brick was discovered and behind it a bottle containing nearly 25 grammes of strychnine, which was the amount which Vaquier alleged that he had purchased.

It was, however, quite useless. At the appeal, the court pointed out that such a quantity of strychnine if purchased by Vaquier would completely dispose of the defence argument at the trial that the amount of strychnine found in the dead man's body was in excess of the total amount ever traced to Vaquier's possession.

The appeal was dismissed and Vaquier was hanged at Wandsworth Prison.

NEXT WEEK

Why no finger-prints? One question that saved a life.

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# BACK TO LEAGUE SOCCER

## The Koreans Leave Behind An Odd Assortment Of Memories

By "SEE TEE"

Back to league soccer again today, and a return to the Governor's Cup tomorrow. This afternoon all except one of the Senior League clubs are in action.

One-hundred-percent South China "A" should continue in that way at Boundary Street; while at the Club ground Chinese Athletic will be trying to avenge their defeat by the Club in the Shield competition.

Tomorrow the second match of the Governor's Cup competition is to be played at Caroline Hill.

The Koreans are gone, but they have left behind an odd assortment of memories. In the first match of their visit to Hongkong, they showed a brilliant football of a type far superior to any seen here since the reoccupation.

In less than half an hour they scored five goals against a Hongkong XI. The next day (Sunday) the Combined Chinese ran and hustled them off their game, and snatched a narrow 3-2 victory.

If this were unexpected, the victory of the Non-Chinese by the same margin (but much more decisive in execution), came as another pleasant surprise.

Last Sunday's match, in which the Koreans soundly beat one of Hongkong's strongest elevens, seems ample indication that it is too much to expect touring teams to play hard, 90-minute matches on successive days and produce their best form.

If the first match had been of 70 minutes' duration, the second might have been better football entertainment. The third game should not have been brought in on the fourth day. It is asking for too much of strangers in strange land.

Second thoughts on last Sunday's match, in which the Koreans played more than half of the game with only ten men, and Hongkong finished with only nine, are not altogether happy.

If certain players are again chosen for representative honours after last Sunday's exhibition, the controllers of local football are failing in their duty.

When players, on successive weekends, in big representative matches, blatantly fail to control themselves, they should be told that there is no place in big football for them.

On such occasions as big representative games, more especially with tourists from other lands, Hongkong's association football should be on its best behaviour. Last Sunday's match included far too many lamentable lapses.

### TODAY'S MATCHES

Although South China "A," to all intents and purposes have the League Championship in their pockets, there are several interesting matches today.

At the Club ground there is every promise of a stiff encounter between the Club and Chinese Athletic. CAA beat the Club 4-2 in the first match of the season, but the Club, in a Shield tie which went to extra time, knocked out CAA.

Prior to this fixture on the Club ground, the Club's second string faced the formidable Juniors of South China.

At the Navy ground there is an interesting afternoon's football. Inter-Service rivalry commences the afternoon's programme with a Navy v. RAF league match.

Last season the airmen twice beat the sailors; 1-0 and 8-1. So far the sailors have one victory over the RAF to their credit in this season's League games.

Following the Navy v. RAF game, is the second meeting of the season of Eastern and the Saints. The Saints are still a very erratic team. They sprang a surprise with their Shield victory over the Army last week-end, but one of their main troubles may now be cured.

Goal-keeping blunders have cost the Saints heavily in the past two seasons. Optimism is high in the St. Joseph's camp now that Leek of the Club has joined them. Leek has been unable to get his place between the Club's sticks in recent games.

It is expected that he will play for the Saints this afternoon. He is also chosen to keep goal for the Hongkong FA team in tomorrow's Governor's Cup match.

In their early season meeting, Eastern and the Saints were level (one goal each) at the final whistle.

### KITCHEE IN FORM

Kitchee's heavy Shield defeat of Eastern last week-end, will draw the crowds to Caroline Hill this afternoon, to see their league match with South China "B."

Kitchee are showing good form these days. South China "B" have not had a competitive match for almost a month. Their last game was on December 18 when they beat the RAF by five goals to three.

At Boundary Street this afternoon Kwong Woh meet what may be a most experimental Army team. The soldiers' failure to get the goals last week-end has stirred their selectors to renewed efforts.

Knox, at centre forward, had quite a good afternoon, against the Saints at Sookunpoo. One goal he scored was gem, rising high and wide of the keeper. But Knox's shooting was a lonely business. It is understood that Weatherall may be playing an inside-forward this afternoon.

### GOVERNOR'S CUP

Tomorrow's Governor's Cup return match is another speculative fixture. In the first match at Boundary Street on December 12 the Hongkong FA XI scored a striking victory over the Federation.

Withstanding a terrific first-half onslaught, an experimental FA team suddenly emerged into the bright sunshine with two quick goals. They carried their banner on a flourishing 6-1 victory.

It is a pity that only six of the winning eleven are good for tomorrow's game. The snap-shooting of Higgs, at centre-forward, will be

much missed. Nevertheless, most of the FA forward line for tomorrow's game have shown they have shooting ability.

Mullen scored one very fine goal against the Koreans; so did Kierian. Xavier's qualities are too well known to need stressing, while both

Knox and Ramskill hold good shots in their boots.

The FA are again faced with a well-chosen Chinese side. If only their forwards will take every opportunity of shooting at goal, success may well be theirs. They have the backing of a good middle line.

### John Macadam's Column

## SPORT DECLINES IN ERA OF MECHANISED TOYS

Going recently into the matter of the decline in quality of British sport, we came to the conclusion, in concert with one of the keener minds at present occupied with the problem, that this decline stems back to the appreciable falling-off in the playing of the old simple games of childhood.

Leaving aside such major contributory causes as war wastage and lack of food, it was easily demonstrable that if more of today's athletes had been brought up on the street games that used to come round, each, mysteriously, in its appointed season, they would be ten percent better off.

This has nothing to do with more-or-less organised football, swimming, cricket, boxing, and the rest.

It has to do only with the childhood plays we got up to ourselves without benefit of couches, outifts, and any material other than we could knock together ourselves out of old newspapers, bits of string, and pieces carved from boxwood.

Of half a dozen observers in their early forties, not one could recall ever having had a mechanical toy in life. Books, ties, scarves—these were the kind of presents. The rest of our entertainment we made for ourselves.

### GOOD TIMING

For ball games, we either used a tin can or manufactured a ball out of paper and string, and you can accept our word for it that if you can dribble a tin can or a paper ball, you can dribble anything.

Many a Scottish footballer learned most of his tricks of swerve, control, and speed off the mark with a paper ball, just as he developed his sense of timing learning to kick a can without busting his toes.

And any Rugby player will tell you that the old Tig (or Tag) game is a great one for heightening anti-coordination and developing the feint at speed.

Another one that was recommended for Soccer players we called Dur-the-Door. It was played with two sides whose players hopped on one foot and strove to knock their opposite numbers two-footed with a shoulder charge. It is easy to imagine what this did by way of developing leg muscles and, of course, accurate charging.

### CO-ORDINATION

There was Tip-Cat, where you knocked a block of wood in the air and then swiped it with any sort of club before it hit the ground. A very good one this for eye-and-hand co-ordination.

And "French" cricket, in which you had a bath of wood to protect your shins from a can at closer and closer range; very good, this, for wrist and eye.

We made our own sledges in the winter and our own whistles in the summer, and anything we couldn't conjure up out of any junk that lay to hand, why, we did without.

But these are highly mechanised days, and the youngsters seem more occupied with radio-listening and listening and with cinemas and, one way and another, the old muscle-building games appear to have had

the last of their day.

**NOT "PESTZENTLORINCZ"!**

**"Ferencvaros"!—Yells The Crowd**

By ANDRE MARTON

Budapest, Jan. 13.—Soccer is Hungary's most popular sport—35,000 to 45,000 fans watching games every Sunday.

"Ferencvaros"—Known generally as FTC—is the outstanding soccer team of Hungary, and football enthusiasts had every reason to grin happily this Autumn, as "Ferencvaros" led the premier league with 22 points against "Pestszentlorincz," with 10.

"Ferencvaros" is known all over the world. They used to boast that the team won two out of four matches against England teams when they toured England in 1912.

They also scored a bunch of victories in Mexico and the U.S. in 1947, being the first European soccer team to tour overseas after world war two.

"Magyar Testgyakorlok" Kere, known as "MTK," the "eternal rival" of "Ferencvaros," the team of classic British soccer traditions, is third with 16 points.

"Ujpest" (The team that almost came to Hongkong twice champions since the war, is fourth and "Csepel," government-sponsored team of Hungarian's biggest industrial undertaking, Manfred Weisz, last year's champion, is eighth in the premier league, which has 10 teams.

Hungarian fans are looking forward to a spring visit by England's Arsenal Club.—Associated Press.

## LITTLE MISS MUSCLES



Dianne Marie Kallio, three years old, is today's moppet bid for tomorrow's weight-lifting championship. She is following in the footsteps of her dad, Keith Kallio, 39-year-old War Department worker, who has been heavyweight lifting champion of the District of Columbia for seven years. Dianne weighs only 32 pounds and has lifted weights of 45 pounds.

### SOFTBALL CHATTER

By "SPECTATOR"

## WILDCATS v. CANADIANS HOLDS THE SPOTLIGHT

Taking a share of this week's centre of the stage Thelma Watson's Wildcats meet Alice Mar's Canadians in a tilt promising a surprise. The promising Canadians, if at full strength—seasoned players like Ulian Koo and Mary Ng having been so far doubtful starters—may spring an upset on the stronger Felines, as they did with the powerful Wahsos, the defending champions.

The lead held by the Wildcats will be slimmed in the women's race for the pennant in the event of a defeat. The Canadian girls are not considered in the running for the Bill Woo Shield but they nevertheless

have a good side with Barna and Bergmann, both naturalised Britons, but they have passed their peak and there are no home born men good enough to lift the Swallowing Cup or even reach the Singles final.

We have a good side with Barna and Bergmann, both naturalised Britons, but they have passed their peak and there are no home born men good enough to lift the Swallowing Cup or even reach the Singles final.

Barney Abbas, Kallio—Joe Franco's pitching was deadly for he allowed only one hit, and Barney did the trick, as he did before, when there were clutches and he came through.

Sherry Bucks, St. Joseph's—Percentage hitter Sherry demonstrated with emphasis that he can play most positions, and well. He hurled a five-inning no-hitter against Overseas. The Saints' superiority over this team was conceded before the start and five frames were only required to finish off the game and the Overseas.

Mamie Xavier and Arturo Ozorio were the big guns. These Saints hit a triple and double respectively.

Rahmat "Sabu" Samy, Madcaps—As the much-improved Filipinos threatened to upset the Madcaps applecart, knotting the count five-all in the fifth, Sabu had three of his four hits sewed up in the bag. A fourth completed a 100 percent attack job and helped his team charge ahead to win by a comfortable margin of four runs. Sabu, of whom much has been expected, by this high-level display, "lived up to expectations."

Robert Verleyn and Spikes Gutierrez, Madcaps—They won laurels with their timely hitting as Robert had three hits in four and Spikes two in three to take places on top in the week. Filipino Luis Rocha was there too, though not as prominently, with two neat hits to his credit.

Hilly Wilkinson, HKBC—Hilly Wilkinson was in the lead of the aggressiveness with his three hits in four times at bat in the Ball Club's defeat of Chung Wah, 14-9. Luiz Souza, Edo Almeida and Dickie Silva, his teammates, were each good for a double apiece; so were Chung Wahmen, P. C. Wong and C. K. Choy who figured in the hard-hitting in a lively game.

### Gothenburg v. London

London, Jan. 13.—The British Amateur Athletics Association are considering a Swedish suggestion that Gothenburg and London should meet in an athletics match during the next track season.

Mr. Jack Crump, Secretary of the Association, said tonight that there was every possibility of the match taking place. He added that if it did, it would be held in the autumn.

Week-End Stars

Theresa Baptista, Wahoos—A 1,000 was hit by fleet-footed Theresa, which was the outstanding return in the Wahoos' 22-2 drubbing of last week's games, of the game Pirates. Terry started against Teammate Theresa Remedios, the "little one," was no meek person when she slashed out a homer, followed in heavy slugging, by Hilda Soares, with a triple. Terry's hits included a double.

Terry Noronha, Wahoos—Big Chief Terry was in lights once more as she banged three hits in five attempts. She was her usual cool self, all the more so when the Pirates weren't dangerous.

Baseball Transfers

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Chicago White Sox sold veteran catcher Mike Tresh to Cleveland Indians for an unannounced sum. Tresh, Boston, Jan. 13.—Veteran catcher Bruce Hobbs, today signed the 1949 contract with Red Sox—United Press.

## TABLE TENNIS

### Britain May Not

## Hold The Corbillon Cup

By ARCHIE QUICK

The World Table Tennis Championship will be held next month at Stockholm, and in official circles there is a pessimistic gloom about Great Britain retaining the Women's Corbillon Cup.

Our two best players, Vera Dace and Dora Bergin, are shortly to become mothers, and Britain's Number Three, Margaret Blackbourn, is studying in America.

Betty Frank will, obviously play No. 1 but her form is in and out and there is little top quality to back her up.

So far as we are concerned, it is generally conceded that America is the first favourite for the team contest with their first string, Richard Miles, the probable winner of the Men's Singles Championship.

We have a good side with Barna and Bergmann, both naturalised Britons, but they have passed their peak and there are no home born men good enough to lift the Swallowing Cup or even reach the Singles final.

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The Grove boxer refused attention from his seconds between rounds and did not even sit down. He proved to be exceptionally fit and a wide margin separated the boxers at the final bell.—Reuter.

## OUTRAGED TO A HOCKEY RECORD

London, Jan. 13.—The Streatham hockey team set a new British scoring record last night in beating the Racing Club of Paris 23-3.

Captain Bud MacEachern led the assault on Racing goalie, George Tessar, with seven goals.—Associated Press.

## Indian Boxer's Success

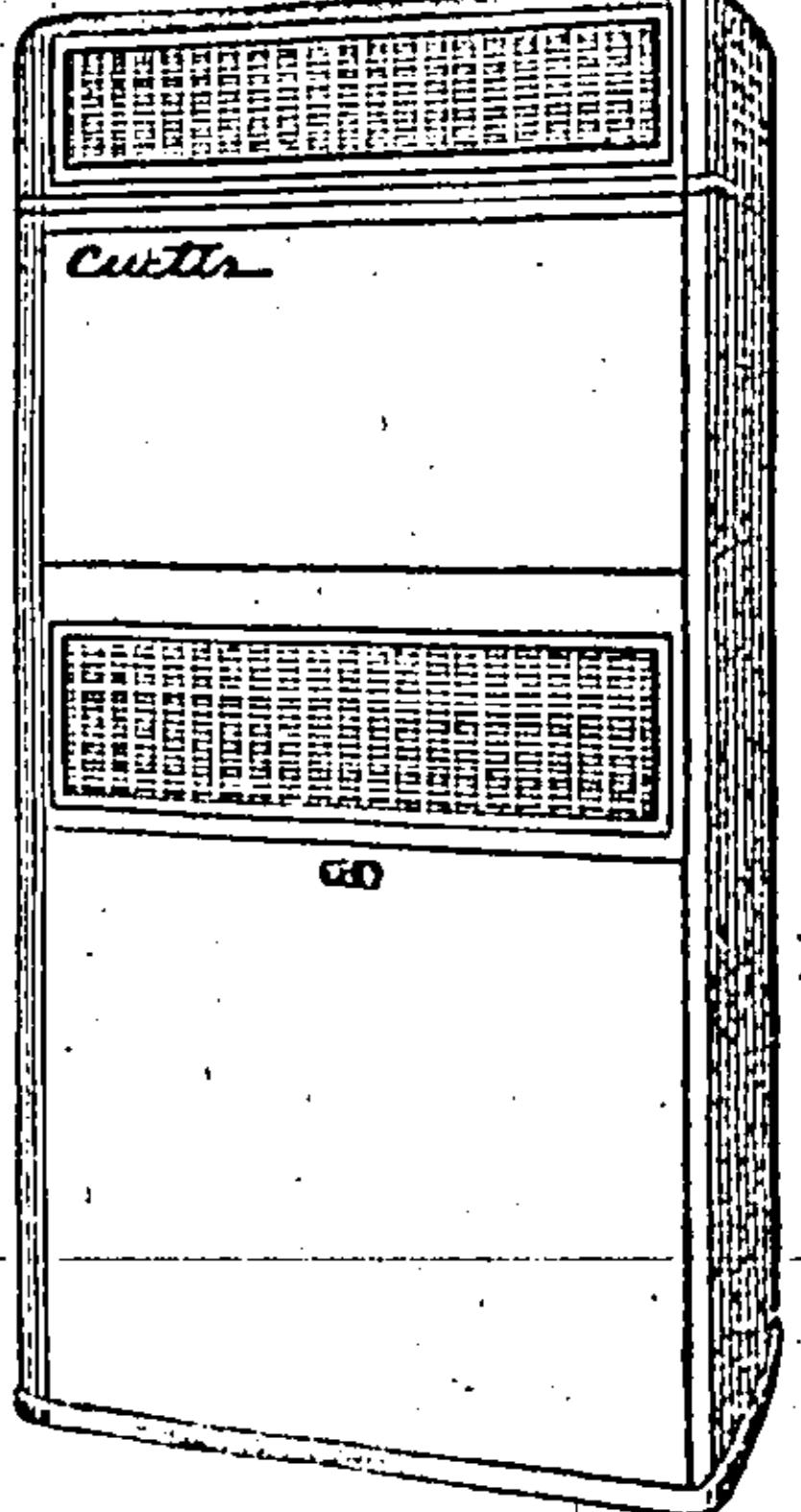
London, Jan. 13.—Mac Joachim, the Grove Boxing Club middle-weight who boxed for India in the Olympic Games, easily outpointed A. Prince, of the Robert Browning Boxing Club, in a special contest at the West Moseley Boxing Club at Kingston, Surrey, last night.

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OAB. and FLOUNDER — by Walter



## FROM HERE AND THERE

## French Cooking For All-On Ice

PARIS: Fully prepared cooked dishes, frozen and packed in aluminium wrappings, are to be exported by France in her new drive for hard currency. A factory will be set up to produce them with funds from Marshall aid. Housewives will only have to heat the dishes on a low fire for 15 minutes before serving. Average price of one of these "new look" frozen dishes will be round about 2s. They will include French specialities such as boeuf mode et coq au vin. They will also be available for home consumption and, according to the Food Ministry, should facilitate food problems.

## GOVERNMENT CAT

OTTAWA: The only cat on the Canadian government's payroll is Daisy Mae, who draws a monthly salary of 5/- for rat-catching work among the dusty volumes of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics library in Ottawa. Daisy, who is classified officially as "Exterminator Grade 2" in the civil service, comes from a long line of rat-catchers of indeterminate breed. Her salary is used to buy milk and chopped liver and to keep her contented with her work. Since Daisy Mae was taken on not a single rat has been seen around the library. An increase in Daisy Mae's family not long ago jumped the cost of living sky high. Now, with six hungry young mouths to feed, office workers have set up a Daisy Mae milk fund to supplement the government salary.

## FIRST VOTE

TEL-AVIV: Arab women will vote for the first time in history when Israel goes to the polls on January 25. Israel has an Arab population of about 110,000, of whom 40,000 are eligible to vote. Women cannot vote in the Arab states.

## CHANGE-OVER

ROME: Twenty-four years ago Carolina Biagi, 14-year-old Venetian girl, ran away from home and nothing more was heard of her. Recently it was found that she had dressed as a boy, assumed the name of her dead brother, Edoardo, became a waiter in a Padua restaurant and later started a pastry shop in

the same town. Her real sex was discovered during an illness. Now the police have invited Edoardo to resume the name of Carolina, and to a dressmaker instead of to a tailor.

## TRIP TO THE MOON?

NEW YORK: The Chemistry Department of Ohio State University has announced the development of liquid hydrogen which can send rockets to the moon at a speed of 30,000 mph. The University believes that only lack of ship strong enough to make the trip now stands between us and inter-planetary travel.

## SINGING MURDERER

TISSAHAMY, CEYLON: A "Veddi" or Aborigine jungle dweller who, after evading arrest on a murder charge for 10 years, tired of his game of hide-and-seek with the police, and recently surrendered, sang Ceylon jungle folk songs at the command goal for recording by the Colombo Broadcasting Station's recording unit, for he has gained the reputation of the local jungle songbird. Hearing his own voice played back thoroughly scared him at first, but later he grinned delightedly.

## TALK, TALK, TALK

NEW YORK: Nearly a thousand experts met in New York recently to see what could be done to revive the lost art of conversation. What they talked about on the morning "Contributions of general semantics to rhetorical criticism."

BOOKS are too dear, says GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON

## 50,000 Expensive

TROUBLE IN JULY. By Erskine Caldwell. Falcon Press, 8s. 6d. 159 pages.

A HUNDRED and fifty-nine pages of fiction for 8s. 6d. Fifty thousand words (by my reckoning) for a hundred and two pence.

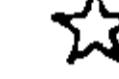
That is too few words for too many pennies.

It may be said that it is not much more expensive than many other novels now being published. But that would not be a good defense. It would simply be saying that books are, in general, too dear.

They are, and they tend to be dearer.

The case for the publishers has been made by Mr Michael Joseph, one of the liveliest of them. He points out that the cost of making a book is twice what it was before the war, while the price to the public has increased by only fifty per cent.

So Mr Joseph predicts that the price of books must be raised still higher.



A MISTAKEN attitude. A disastrous conclusion to his argument.

For where did that argument begin? With the acknowledgment that the "unbelievably large reading public" created by the war is dwindling, so far as fiction and general-interest books are concerned.

Now it really would not do to pretend that the war-time growth of book-buying and the post-war decline were Acts of God. The increased demand was due to the fact that books were reasonably cheap and money plentiful. It is being choked off because, at a time when there is less money about, prices have gone too high.

In these conditions, what does the good, bold publisher do? He cuts his prices. He goes out to catch the wider public which is still waiting, which is always waiting, for the cheaper book.

There is an immense opportunity awaiting the publisher who refuses to follow the fatal path of dearer books, fewer customers and higher overheads, who turns his back on the restrictionist philosophy and puts his faith in expansion and books for the people.

As for Trouble in July, there is no obvious reason why it should be particularly expensive.

It is a story about negroes. Rather, it is the story about negroes. Sonny, a field hand, is falsely accused of the rape of Katy, an over-sexed white girl. After the customary preliminaries, Sonny is lynched.

Jeff McCurtain, the sheriff, liked to go on a fishing trip when Lynch-

ing was afoot. This time, his taking off is just too slow. To add to his embarrassment, a negro friend of his is seized by the mob, just in case they can find nobody better to hang.

Caldwell uses the well-worn, terrible theme better than most. He spares us nothing except sentimentality. His picture of a rundown community of whites is sublimely done.

THE VOICE OF THE CORPSE. By Max Murray. Michael Joseph, 8s. 6d.

NOBODY can feel much sorrow over the death of Angela Mason Pewsey. The author does not even pretend to feel any.

For Miss Pewsey has induced ideas of fun which are rarely popular. She has unearthed inconvenient secrets about her neighbours, and has then sent them letters threatening exposure.

So when some unknown benefactor ups and hits Miss Pewsey over the head with a blunt instrument, there is nothing but rejoicing in the village of Inchinc Round.

A fair number of its inhabitants possess substantial motives either for committing the crime or for wishing the criminal well.

And it is Max Murray's job to take his readers on a paper-chase after the murderer? That is so; Mr Murray has written a detective story. And what, pray, is so exciting about that?

Just this. From the moment when Mrs Tilling telephones the police to say, "Somebody's done in Miss Pewsey," Mr Murray steadily interests and frequently amuses his readers.

He discloses a debonair style. He condescends to wit. He even takes the trouble to pump life and individuality into his characters. In short, he treats his audience as if they were intelligent human beings and not a species of literate bloodhounds sniffing their way from clue to clue over a desert of bad prose.

That is writing.

Consider also Capote's talent for names: Zoo, the negroes with the long, scarred throat; Jesus Fever, her grandfather; Little Sunshine, the hermit. And Noon City, nearest township to Skully's Landing, the decaying Southern mansion where the boy Joel comes to find his father.

Nothing has ever been so decadent as the Landing, unless it is the derelict hotel near by whose past is conjured up by Capote: Farewell sighs, of folding fans, the brute fall of male boots...

Atmosphere does not make a novel. But Capote is a man to watch.

not dilute the high spirits of an admirable newcomer to detective fiction.

SHAKEN IN THE WIND. By Pamela Frankau. Heinemann, 10s. 6d.

The theme of this new novel is Cynthia's marriage—and what went wrong with it.

What did go wrong with it? Cynthia, an officer in the ATS, marries Stuart Hendricks, an American with a dazzling smile. This may simply be due to the superior qualities of wartime American dentifrice, but it is enough to turn Cynthia into a GI bride.

So it is one of those novels about the clash of two civilisations? Cynthia resents the American Way of Cooking. Or she is irritated because the United States is having such a nice post-war, whereas old Britain—

It is more complicated than that even. Stuart is a Roman Catholic, while Cynthia does not get beyond thinking how comfortable it must be inside that church. A clash of religions, in fact? Just so.

Also, Cynthia does not want to have a baby. And Stuart meets an old girl-friend (also R. C.), and finds, like so many others, that love can mean one thing in England, and quite another in San Francisco.

But everything turns out well in the end? Miss Frankau must be allowed her secret.

OTHER VOICES, OTHER ROOMS. By Truman Capote. Heinemann, 7s. 6d. 192 pages.

A PLAGUE upon the author who wraps his story and its characters in a sticky tissue of obscurity! Here is a novel so thickly mantled in glistening language and so decked with deceitful hints that, in the end, the reader is only half-aware what it has all been about.

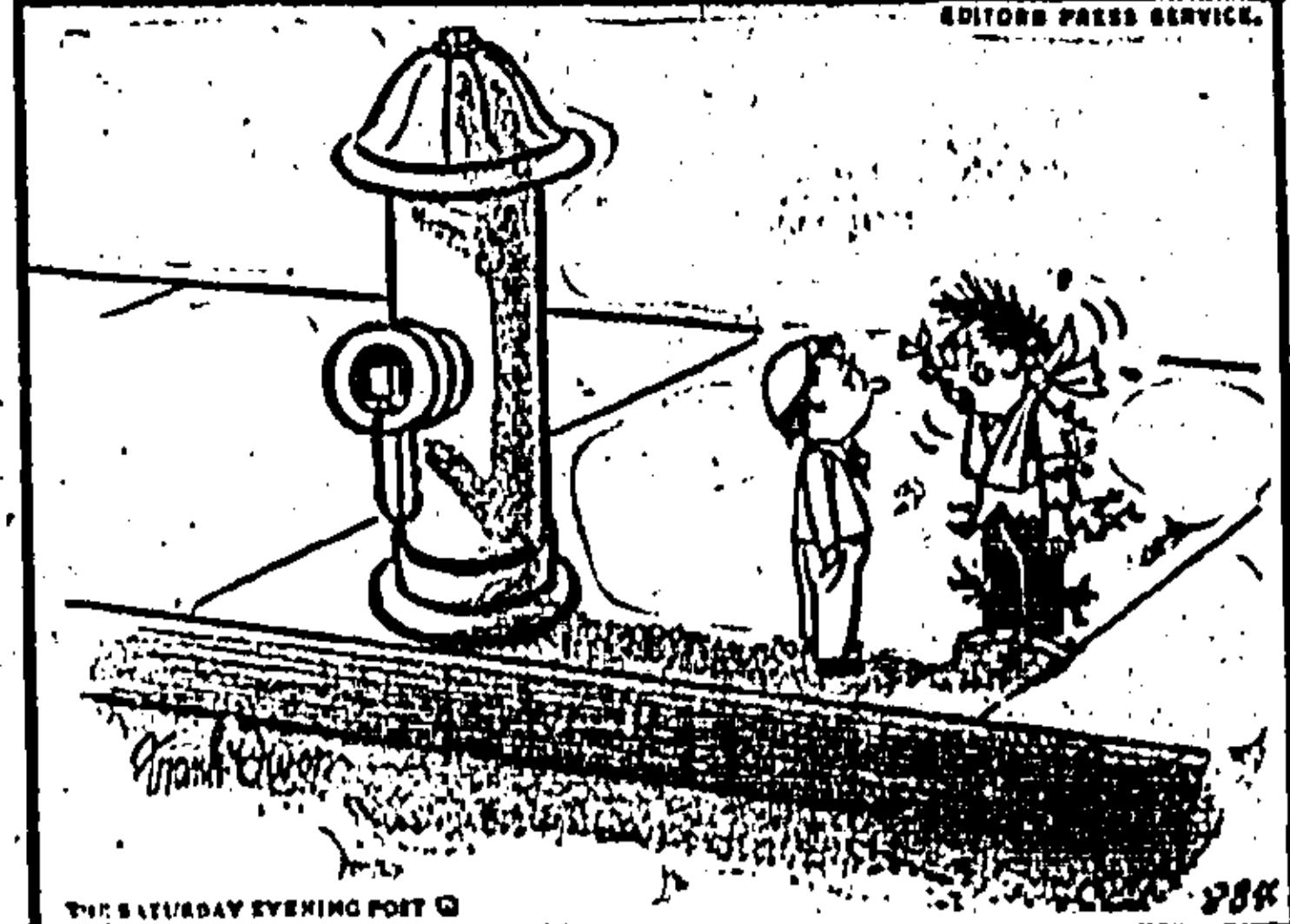
This is all the greater pity since Capote is a newcomer of rare gifts. Listen: "Often the only movement on the landscape is winter-smoke winding out of the chimney of some sorry-looking farmhouse, or a wing-stiffened bird, silent and arrow-eyed, circling over the black deserted pine woods."

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"Take my advice—never try to give a cat a bath."

## LOVE

(a) In the mode of DENISE ROBINS  
(b) In the mode of HOWARD SPRING

LOVE ME NO MORE. By Denise Robins. Hutchinson, 9s. 6d.

"HE took her in his arms"

— to those fatal monosyllables, found in almost every

novel, millions of the takers

and taken in real life owe the

disillusionment from which they

are incurably suffering.

Even if, like a Denise Robins heroine, you have large, luminous eyes with long, silken lashes, an alabaster face of pure classic outline, and are quivering in the throes of a newly discovered ecstasy, you can never be sure that, prodded by an irresistible force, with heart beating madly and pulses on fire, the right man will take you in his arms, crush you to him, and kiss your exquisite red mouth.

When something approximately like that really occurs... But let's not think about it. Daydream again with Denise Robins! Her eighteenth novel (I hope I haven't miscounted) is called "Love Me No More". The title is misleading: "He" goes on loving, and "She" raises no objections.

He is Stephen Dally, a young

diplomat, "tall and beautifully

built", with bright brown curly hair

and a tanned, frank countenance.

She is Iris, a regal creature

swelling in beauty like the night on

the banks of the River Nile. Third

man in the triangle is Prince Ustef,

a little Serbian.

After dirty work at the Pyramids

(Ustef and Stephen come to blows

M. HOWARD SPRING'S novels are carefully constructed for the convenience of the leisureed. Moving at a comfortable pace, the narrative in his latest slows down from time to time to make it easy to alight from or board again.

Ted Pentecost, the narrator in "There Is No Armour", is an unashamedly time-a-growing up. But by the time he is twenty he has left his birthplace, Manchester (you guessed), become a famous painter, and got married. Soon, an Edward Pentecost, A.R.A., is diffusing his benevolence in all directions. So kind, wise, and gentle is he that he makes unfaithfulness to his wife appear almost a virtue.

When at the end he is left all alone you begin to feel sorry for him—until you remember that solitude has given him the opportunity to write a book of 576 pages which looks like being popular.

Enough incident, relevant and irrelevant, makes this a neo-Dickensian novel which, if not rushed, will be sedately enjoyed by thousands. I found it rather filling.

—DANIEL GEORGE.

VIGNETTES OF LIFE — "New Year Pipe-Dreams"  
BY KEMP STARRETT

## SPORTS

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## CRAFTS

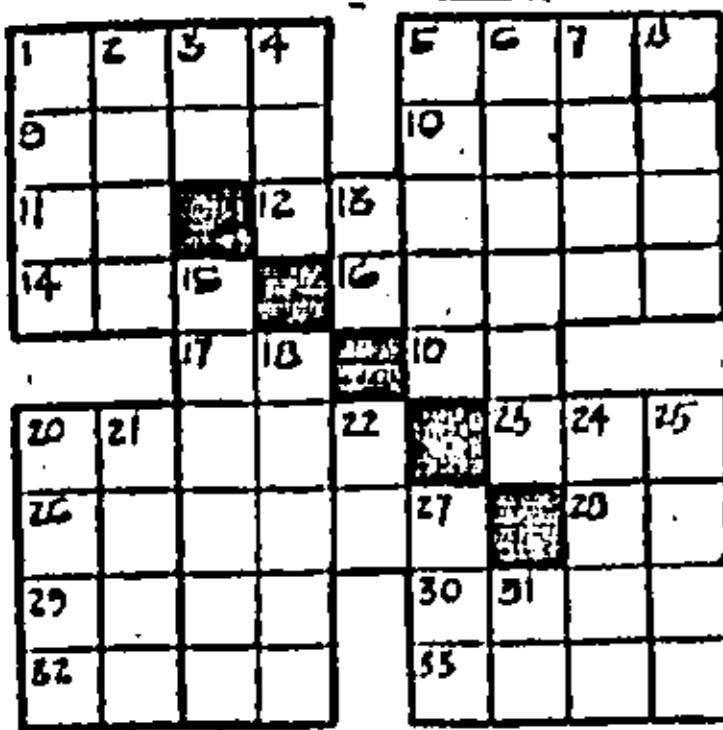
## GAMES

## JOKES

# The BOYS and GIRLS PAGE

## MENTAL GYMNASIUM

## CROSSWORD



## DIAMOND

Today's diamond centres on the game of **FORFEIT**. The second word is "a folding bed," the third "apple centre," the fifth "years between 12 and 20," and the sixth an abbreviation for "sister."

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## ANSWERS

## RIDDLE ANSWERS

1 Horseback game  
5 There are many—games  
9 Verbal  
10 Extent  
11 Right (ab.)  
12 Waltz  
14 Compass point  
16 Rent  
17 No. Scotland (ab.)  
19 Doctor of Divinity (ab.)  
20 Flower  
23 Conclusion  
26 Steps over fences  
28 Correlative of either  
29 Noblemen  
30 Jot  
32 Gold of war  
33 Irish dish

## DOWN

1 Minute side opening  
2 Morsels  
3 Louisiana (ab.)  
4 Aged  
5 Caged  
6 Covered passageway of shops  
7 Scottish sheepfolds  
8 Challenge  
13 Nickname for Albert  
15 Complete  
18 Vende  
20 On the ocean  
21 Heavenly body  
22 Musical note  
24 Memorandum  
25 Sketch  
27 Sister (coll.)  
31 Old testament (ab.)

## GAMES OF SKILL

Four games of skill are scrambled below. Rearrange the letters in each row to bring them to light:

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SEC HIS  
BRIC GABE  
CRIB TRACED TONG

## GAMES OF CHANCE

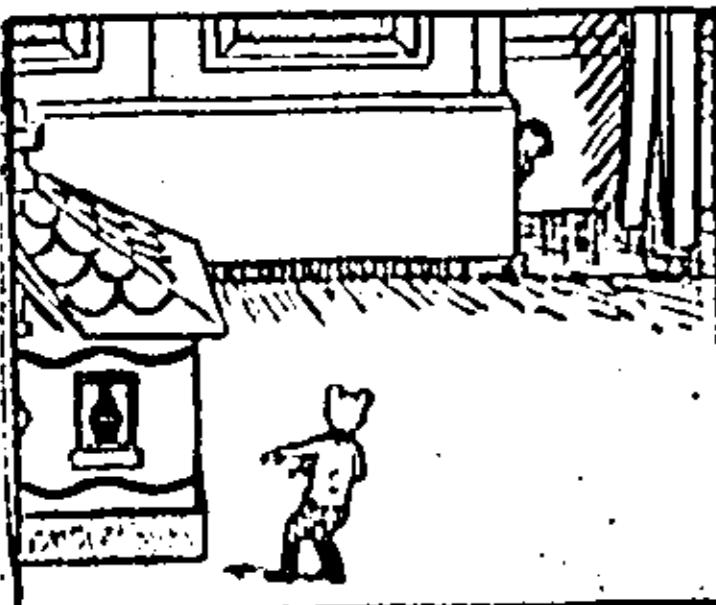
Vowels have been omitted and the words run together in this sentence describing two games. Insert the vowels in their proper places and reconstruct our sentence:

BCKGMNNNDRLITTRGMSFCHNC

## RIDDLES

1. When does a hen peck the hardest?  
2. Why is an old bachelor always right?  
3. What are the most difficult ships to conquer?  
4. What is always behind time?  
5. Why is a school teacher like the letter C?

## Rupert and Margot—42



Wandering whether his exciting journey has been all in vain, Rupert comes out of the doll's house, and at once a loud whisper makes him spin round. Peering at him from behind a huge piece of furniture is Margot herself. "Oh, Rupert," she cries. "Are you here, too? Where are we? How did we get here? All I know is that the little house started swinging and bumping about until I was nearly dizzy." "Mustn't you tell me just what has happened since I left you?"

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## RED RYDER



UNGRATEFUL CRITTER! I RAISED YOU FROM A PUP AND YOU ATTACK ME BECAUSE YOU HATE GUNS!

## MAKING A BAD MAN GOOD

**G**RANT DeFORREST deftly brought his roadster to a stop at the edge of Grierly's woods. A flat tire!

He jumped out, looking anxiously at black clouds rolling up from the west. Vivid lightning streaking across the sky and heavy thunder foretold an approaching storm. And he was 16 miles from home.

Blacker and blacker grew the sky. DeForrest started to change tires, his only light being a continued blaze of forked and sheet lightning. The boomerang and crackling of thunder rent the clouds and rain began falling faster and faster.

Grant heard a sound behind him. He turned and gasped. He was looking down the barrel of a gun.

A voice rasped: "I don't want to hurt you, son, but I want this car—and quick!"

Grant rose, hands above his head, watched the man go to the car and return with the tow-rope.

"Why the rope?" Grant asked. The man appeared nervous. He didn't seem to like what he was doing.

"I'm going to tie you up so you won't tell the police that Kunkle escaped in your car," the stranger growled.

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**G**RANT was beginning to understand the puzzle. "Did you escape from prison?" he queried.

Kunkle growled ascent as he made ready to tie Grant up. Suddenly the storm intervened and Grant seized the rope in an effort to wrest it from the convict.

The trees swayed back and forth, a loud roaring and crashing sound in the forest and a tornado was upon them.

Grant opened his eyes and stirred. Lying face downward, pinned under his car, he could only move his head and arms. A large tree had smashed through the top, imprisoning him.

He raised his head and saw Kunkle not far away, lying on his back, a big tree across him.

"Are you hurt, Kunkle?" Grant asked.

"Not yet, but this tree is held up by one broken branch. If I move, down she comes."

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**G**RANT could move his arms and head, and the tow rope was near his hands. If he could release Kunkle, the escaped convict could rescue him. But would he?

"Listen, Kunkle," Grant said. "That branch won't hold forever."

"No," said the man. "The wind will weaken it."

"I can get you out."

"But you won't," said Kunkle.

"I'm an outlaw."

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**G**RANT shook his head. Something was going on inside him.

"If you help me get out and I fail to call the officers I'll be helping you escape. I'd be guilty of a crime," Grant went on.

"I may be a crook, but I'm not bad enough to leave you here," Kunkle said, putting the gun in his pocket.

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**H**E found a stout branch and put it under the car. Using it as a lever he worked the car upward, allowing Grant to crawl out.

"All right," Kunkle said, handing Grant the gun, "turn me over to the police."

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**G**RANT shook his head. "I trusted you once when I tossed you that rope, Kunkle. I'm not going to turn you in."

"Turn me in," Kunkle demanded. "You're a kid. You've got your whole life ahead of you—don't be a crook like me. You saved my life. I'm saving yours now, but in a different way."

"I'm going to save your life again," Grant said. "You're going to go to the police yourself. I'll go with you and tell them about tonight. It'll help you. Perhaps in a very short time you'll get a pardon."

Kunkle held out his hand and Grant shook it.

"I knew you were okay," Grant said. "When you held me up you said: 'I don't want to hurt you.' A real crook wouldn't care whether he hurt his victim or not. The fact that you risked everything to help me proves that you deserve another chance." —Roy L. Warren.

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**S**HARPEN UP YOUR WITS

HOW many of the following catch questions can you answer correctly?

1. How many minutes will it take to cut up a piece of cloth 10 yards long, one yard being sheared off every minute?

2. A small climbing up a post 10 feet high goes up two feet every day but slips down one foot every night. How many days will it take him to reach the top?

3. If a boy weighs 50 pounds plus half his own weight, how much does he weigh?

4. A man has a window one yard high and one yard wide. Requiring more light, he enlarges the window to twice its former size, yet the window is still only one yard high and one yard wide. How did he do it?

ANSWERS

1. Nine minutes. Try it if you like.

2. Nine days. The ninth day the small goes the last two feet to the top of the pole and stays there.

3. One hundred pounds. Think it over.

4. The window was diamond-shaped at first, and the man made it a square window.

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**D**O-IT

By Dale Goss

**TIN "Walkie Talkie" CAN**

1. Cut tops and

bottoms from

2 TIN CANS

with roll type

can opener.

2. Cut 2 CIRCLES

2 inches larger

than tops of

cans from

strong PAPER...

Wet the paper...

stretch over

can tops and

fasten with

rubber bands.

3. When paper is

dry, punch small

hole in center...

4. Cut a STRING

about 20 feet

long and thread

each end thru

hole in the

paper... fasten

with tying ends

of strings to

tooth picks...

then

PULL STRINGS

TIGHT AND

SEND THAT

SECRET MESSAGE

CALLING

SECRET AGENT X-34

IF IT AINT ONE VARMINT IT'S ANOTHER!

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## SPARE MOMENTS PAGE

EXCLUSIVE 'TELEGRAPH' FEATURE

## YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

BORN today, you are a better than average judge of human nature, but you are too inclined to look for the good in upon the dark side of things. Look for the good in everyone and you will find it. Cultivate optimism.

You are, by nature, an executive and are far-seeing when it comes to judging contemporary conditions and knowing what to do about them. You have tremendous enthusiasm for project when you start in and if this attitude continues you are capable of getting a lot done yourself and inspiring others to do likewise.

Fortunately you have a keen sense of humour and this is often a saving grace. Called a "slave driver" by those who work under you, they have to admit

that you get a job done in short order and that they have a good time working even though it's very hard indeed!

You women are excellent managers and make exceptionally fine home makers. You are able to "rule" your own roost without being officious and will receive the love and devotion of the entire family. Being an idealist in love, you may not find it easy to make the selection of a life partner. But once you have made your choice, it is definitely "forever."

Find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

BORN today, you are exceptionally astute when it comes to sizing up both people and conditions. You are able to take facts and figures, analyse them, come to some definite decision and then interpret them for public consumption. This makes you a person who is adept at research and one who could make an excellent historian, statistician, economic adviser or counsellor.

What your life work will be, may well be determined by the early course of your education and training. You are highly adaptable and when your talents are being used efficiently you may turn them toward a number of varying fields.

Music and art have a very definite hold on your imagination and you have much latent talent along these lines. Whether you develop these gifts commercially

or merely use them for your own amusement as an avocation in life will be up to you to decide.

You have an innate thriftness which makes you an excellent manager. You women born on this day are apt to be the ones to handle the budget at home. You know how to make the pennies go a long way without appearing to pinch them!

Rather self-contained emotionally, very few know the real tenderness or love which you have for those who are close and dear to you. You are often restrained even among your loved ones. You might cultivate a little more spontaneity in this regard.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Can be a rather difficult day unless you curb emotionalism and remain calm when others get excited.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—More of a social day than anything else. Make all plans for the future carefully. Henson rather than emotions should rule.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 21)—Good feeling among friends will bring a real reward. Don't neglect spiritual devotions in social activities.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 19)—Be guarded in your speech. Don't be caustic or you may lose a valuable friend.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—There may appear to be restrictions on your activities today, so guard your personal interests and conserve your energies.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—Follow through on plans already made. They should be successful. Love and romance are especially favoured.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 21)—Unexpected pleasures today. You may see an old friend and meet an interesting new one as well.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 19)—If you are a "boss," be tactful with your employees. Guard against illness due to overwork, also.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Bo, ambitious. Don't confine your

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GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—An accident can cause a lot of trouble, so be careful, especially in fire-hazard areas.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Your intuitions may be unusually active right now. Pay heed to inner warnings.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Conventional behaviour is the best kind right now. Be tactful in any dealings with the opposite sex.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—If you rely upon others today to do a job you should do, you will be disappointed. Show the proper initiative.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Your popularity with the opposite sex is apt to increase. Emphasis appears to be on the social side.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Be discreet and cautious in all you do. An argument while angry might have unfortunate repercussions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Sign nothing of importance today and postpone decisions until you are less emotional.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Make future plans. Put them into writing, if need be, to assure their being carried out properly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Make moderate gains if you are careful of details. Avoid a blue Monday by being optimistic.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Definitely a good day for you to exert your very best efforts. Get excellent results by showing initiative.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—If you are careful when it comes to expanding your business interests, you will be wise. Stick to routine.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Things are better for the little wifé at home than for the husband at the office! Let her be patient and understanding.

## Skeleton Crossword

In this crossword the black squares and clue numbers, as well as the words, are left for the solver to fill in. The numbers and four clue numbers have been inserted to give you a start.

The pattern formed by the black squares is symmetrical: the top half of the pattern matches the bottom half, and the two sides correspond.

CLUES ACROSS

1. Part of the name of a juvenile femininity! (7)

10. Not a secret-voter, by way of a change. (7)

11. He is to make a bit of the keds, or the other? (7)

13. A spruce family of ability. (7)

14. Plus or minus one or two. (7)

17. He is far as gentility is concerned, the shoemaker is a (7)

18. Not black game, of course! (7)

21. A word to order! (7)

22. Stake back. (7)

23. Passing over of two opposite features. (7)

27. Study carefully before you proceed to the river. (7)

28. It is used in a lamp. (7)

30. A kind of a kind—arterial, anyway. (7)

31. The remainder of that aforesaid make-up is a word! (7)

32. CLAWS DOWN. (7)

2. In a state of complete unconcern, I know alone. (7)

3. Minic, and painting, for example. (7)

4. It can only give the silly imitator half an opening. (7)

5. Eat to rime. (7)

(Solution on Page 14)

THE reason why golf is now so expensive is never mentioned in the present outcry. It is because it has developed, from a rather dull game into a very dull one. The way to get fun out of it is to whine your way round a course with one club. But now you wear special fancy dress, and pay a human being with an immortal soul to carry fourteen clubs in an enormous bag. The greens must be like a billiard table and there must be a clubhouse size of a place. As for the game itself, there is no longer any roaring horseplay, and the players cheat secretly instead of openly.

(Monday: Life in a Porridge Quarry)

Today's tasty dish

(by Mrs Whickstuffer)

LE SNOEK. Roll slowly in cabbage water and serve with a West African sparkling brandy

## SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Oh, Mom and Dad are just having one of their regular quarrels—nothing unpleasant!"

## WEEK-END QUIZ

## LESSON HAND

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Shrewd Play Wins Game Bid Here

Gr. Capt.	Q8	K1073	K100542	N	Sqd. Ldr.
▲ KJ73	♦ A1054	♦ A1054	W	♦ A1054	W
▼ J4	♦ Q85	♦ Q85	E	♦ Q85	E
♦ A7	♦ None	♦ None	S	♦ None	S
♦ 10053	2	2	Q975	2	Q975

Blue Eyes

♦ A92

♦ QJ863

♦ AKJ

Lesson Hand—Neither vul.

South West North East

1 ♦ Pass 3 ♦ Pass

3 N.T. Pass Pass

Opening—♦ 3 28

Answers on Page 14

## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THESE new industrial isotopes, about which everyone is talking are dependent on phosphorus. This, no doubt, gave rise to the eager question: Is everything made of phosphorus?

Phosphorus, used as an element, can detect flaws in wood, and is thus useful for eliminating knots in the wood used for making noses for rocking-horses. But it is stark madness to say that everything is made of it. It would be nearer the truth to say that nothing is made of it. So I hope we shall hear no more of this nonsense.

sauces. Add a drop or two of whipped-beetroot juice.

Breakers ahead

WARNED by the recent rumpus over the Station Kiss at Sofia, Marshallissimo Mrs. Pauker, the Rose of old Omsk, has announced that if she kisses Comrade Zinot in Bucharest at next week's ragamuffin ball it will be an ideological party-line salute, with no bourgeois emotion about it.

The young, blue-eyed rascal who picked me up, said the jack-of-clubs, "had a flair in his bridge game that belittled a flyer. At times I had seen this RAF youngster deliberately get himself in a hole, just for the sheer fun of seeing if he could get out of it. And today's hand was no exception. I knew when his partner bid three diamonds in response to one diamond, that his next bid was going to be three no trump even though he did not have the spades stopped."

The Group Captain sitting West led the three of clubs, and the flyer played the four from dummy. The Squadron Leader on the right played the queen.

"If I had been worried about Blue Eyes being in three no trump without a spade stopper, you can imagine my amazement when he played me, the jack of clubs, to the first trick, allowing East to hold it with the queen. E. st. knew he had the young flyer on the run. He led back the five of clubs, and again my blue-eyed friend never hesitated. He went right up with the ace of clubs, then led a diamond, and the Captain on the left conveniently went right in with his ace. The club suit was his to run and run it he would."

"But when a club was led, the flyer quietly won it with the king and cashed five diamonds, and the ace and king of hearts, making nine tricks."

The lesson in this story is that bridge is not just a game of mathematics and pre-determined plays. It is a game of skill and judgment. The young flyer knew that if he won the first trick with the king of clubs, somebody would shift to spades. All he wanted was nine tricks.

White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt—Q6. 1... KXR; 2. Kt—

K4 (dbl ch); 1... R—K7, K8;

2. Q—K4 (ch); 1... RQX; 2.

KC—BS (ch); 1... others; 2.

KtXp (ch).

White to play and mate in two.

ANOTHER SCHMELING

# GERMAN IDOL GETS ATLANTIC AIRLIFT

London, Jan. 14.—Helm Ten Hoff, the German heavyweight champion leaves Frankfurt by air for New York on January 16 in an attempt to emulate the feat of Max Schmeling, who in the early thirties, captured the world heavyweight title.

Ten Hoff, idol of millions of German boxing fans, will bear with him to the United States the high hopes of his followers that he will be the means of putting Germany back on the sporting map by winning the world heavyweight crown.

Born 20 years ago to a Dutch father, this tall dark German boxer took part in more than a hundred amateur fights, most of which he won by the knockout route, before turning professional.

As a professional, the young boxer beat all comers by virtue of his superior skill and the extraordinary power of punch in his long, slender-looking arms.

## BEAT NEUSEL

At the end of 1948, he won the heavyweight championship of Germany by defeating the veteran Walter Neusel on points in Hamburg. His professional record is now 10 knockout victories and one draw out of 17 fights.

Boxing experts in Germany have debated hotly whether Ten Hoff really has a chance of making his mark in the United States.

Max Schmeling stated that he still has not developed the real professional "toughness" basic requirement for success in American rings.

"Anyway, he will get a chance to learn it," the former world champion added wryly. Ten Hoff's debut in the United States is eagerly awaited by German sportsmen who hope to see him set his country's feet on the road to a place in world sport.—Reuter.

## More Yanks For Harringay

London, Jan. 14.—Top-ranking American welterweight boxers will appear on the bill at the Harringay Arena, North London, on February 7, subject to the usual financial conditions being approved by the Bank of England.

This was announced by Jack Solomons, the promoter, who said that Tony Janiro, who has lost only four fights in an impressive list of 67, and Billy Graham, who has a record of having lost only two contests out of 77, would be the first step in a scheme to bring boxers here to fight the leading men in this country.

Janiro is to fight the British champion, Henry Hall, over 10 rounds at 150 pounds, and Graham's opponent will be Eddie Thomas, a leading contender for Hall's title.

This fight will also be over 10 rounds, but at 147 pounds.

## REPUTATION

Janiro has been building up a reputation during the last five years for skilful boxing and staying abilities against welterweights like Beau Jack, with whom he has shared two verdicts, Tony Pelleone, Jack Lamotta and Johnny Greco. Graham is a 26-year-old Irish-American, who started boxing in 1941. His defeats were both registered by Tony Pelleone.

Mr Solomons plans to bring some of America's best boxers to Britain to see how they compare with Britain's. It is obvious from the records of Janiro and Graham that the British boxers will be severely tested.

The world flyweight champion, Rinty Monaghan, who is due to defend his title against Maurice Saderon, of France, has agreed to meet the winner of the North London clash between Dickie O'Sullivan, of Finsbury Park, and Terry Allen, of Islington.

The contest will also appear on the February 7 programme.—Reuter.

## THOMAS CUP

## EUROPEAN ZONE FINAL

London, Jan. 14.—The England badminton team left for Copenhagen on Friday to play Denmark in the finals of the European zone of the Thomas Cup Tournament on January 20 and 21.

The winner will meet the victor of a match between Malaya and the United States at Preston, England, on February 25 and 26.

The English team will have a warm up match next Tuesday against Sweden at Malmo.—Associated Press.

## The Uncertainties Of Football Form

London, Jan. 14.—The uncertainties of football form are well exemplified by the case of Peter Kippax. Burnley's amateur outside-left, who has decided to leave League soccer. He had just been released from his registration by the club at his own request.

During the 1948-49 season, Kippax played so brilliantly that he was one of the most prominent members of a side which won promotion to League 1 and reached the Football Association Cup final.

He was honoured by a place in the English League side which played the Scottish League that season, and must have been strongly in line for a full England "cap," which has not been gained by an amateur for 20 years.

Yet last season Kippax could not maintain the high standard of his play, and made only six appearances for the Burnley First Division side.

This season he seemed to have lost confidence considerably and had not been in the Burnley first team at all. Now he has dropped out of soccer of the premier class, in which continued skill and fitness is fundamental to survival—Reuter.

## Dane To Play For Huddersfield

London, Jan. 14.—Karl Hansen, the Danish international inside forward, arrived at Huddersfield last night and started training today.

He will play at inside-right for Huddersfield Town's reserve team against Manchester United tomorrow in a Central League game.

Hansen is expected to be available to play for Huddersfield during the next 10 weeks.—Reuter.

## WEEK-END SPORT

## TODAY

**Cricket**—First Division League: Scorpions v. Recrelo at Chater Road; Army v. University at Sookunpoo; KCC v. Cragengower at Cox's Path; Royal Navy v. Optimists at King's Park; IRC v. RAF at Sookunpoo.

**Friends**—Recrelo 2nd XI v. University 2nd XI at King's Park. **Football**—First Division League: CAA v. Happy Valley; Kitchee v. South China "B" at Caroline Hill; Navy v. RAF at Cavenagh Bay; Police v. South China "A" at Boundary Street (kick-off at 4 p.m.); Eastern v. St. Joseph's at Causeway Bay (kick-off at 2.30 p.m.).

**Second Division League**: Club v. South China at Happy Valley; St. Joseph's v. PCA at Caroline Hill; Army (Hongkong) v. Army (Kowloon) at Sookunpoo; Dockyard v. Police at Happy Valley; CAA v. Tako at Chatham Road (kick-off at 2.30 p.m.); Navy v. Solitaires at Happy Valley; KMB v. Tramways at Chatham Road (kick-off at 4 p.m.).

**Races**—Annual Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club (First Day) at Happy Valley. First saddling bell at 11.30 a.m.

**Rugby**—Quadrangular Tournament: Royal Navy v. RAF & Police, 3.15 p.m.; Club v. Army, 4.15 p.m. at Sookunpoo.

**Softball**—At Recrelo Ground: Mohawks v. Braves, 2.30 p.m.; Wildfires v. Rangers, 4 p.m.

## TOMORROW

**Cricket**—Occasionals v. Civil Service Cricket Club at Chater Road, 11 a.m.; KCC 2nd XI v. HQ, Land Forces, at Cox's Path, 1.30 p.m.

**Football**—Governor's Cup Match: HKFA v. CNAAF at Caroline Hill, 3.30 p.m.

**Hockey**—Interport Trial at Navy Ground, King's Park, 10.30 a.m.

**Softball**—At Recrelo Ground: Jaguars v. Blackhawks, 9 a.m.; St. Joseph's v. American Club, 10.30 a.m.; VRC v. Chung Hwa, Noon; HKBC v. Overseas Chinese, 2 p.m.

**Table Tennis**—At CBA Ground: Filipinos v. Canadians, Noon; Khalas v. Madcaps, 2 p.m.; Canadians v. Wildcats, 3.30 p.m.

**HOW THEY STAND**

**BATTING**

Total Wkts. Average Runs Lost Per Wkt.

Recrelo 1,007 53 20.13

Optimists 1,292 61 19.74

Scorpions 1,150 61 18.65

RAF 1,217 83 14.66

KCC 1,073 62 13.08

University 1,107 88 12.57

Army 934 70 12.28

IRC 818 74 11.05

Cragengower 901 92 10.44

Royal Navy 691 70 0.09

**BOWLING**

Runs Wkts. Average Given Taken per Wkt.

Recrelo 811 15 0.93

Army 768 75 10.50

Scorpions 607 62 11.79

University 1,114 87 12.00

RAF 630 67 13.08

IRC 895 66 14.92

Optimists 1,076 71 15.14

KCC 1,039 67 15.00

Royal Navy 1,150 70 10.42

Cragengower 1,341 77 17.41

**HOW THEY STAND**

**W.D. L. Pts.**

Recrelo 0 7 2 0 23

Army 0 8 3 1 23

Scorpions 0 6 1 3 21

University 10 4 3 19

Optimists 4 2 3 18

KCC 8 2 4 2 12

RAF 0 2 4 2 12

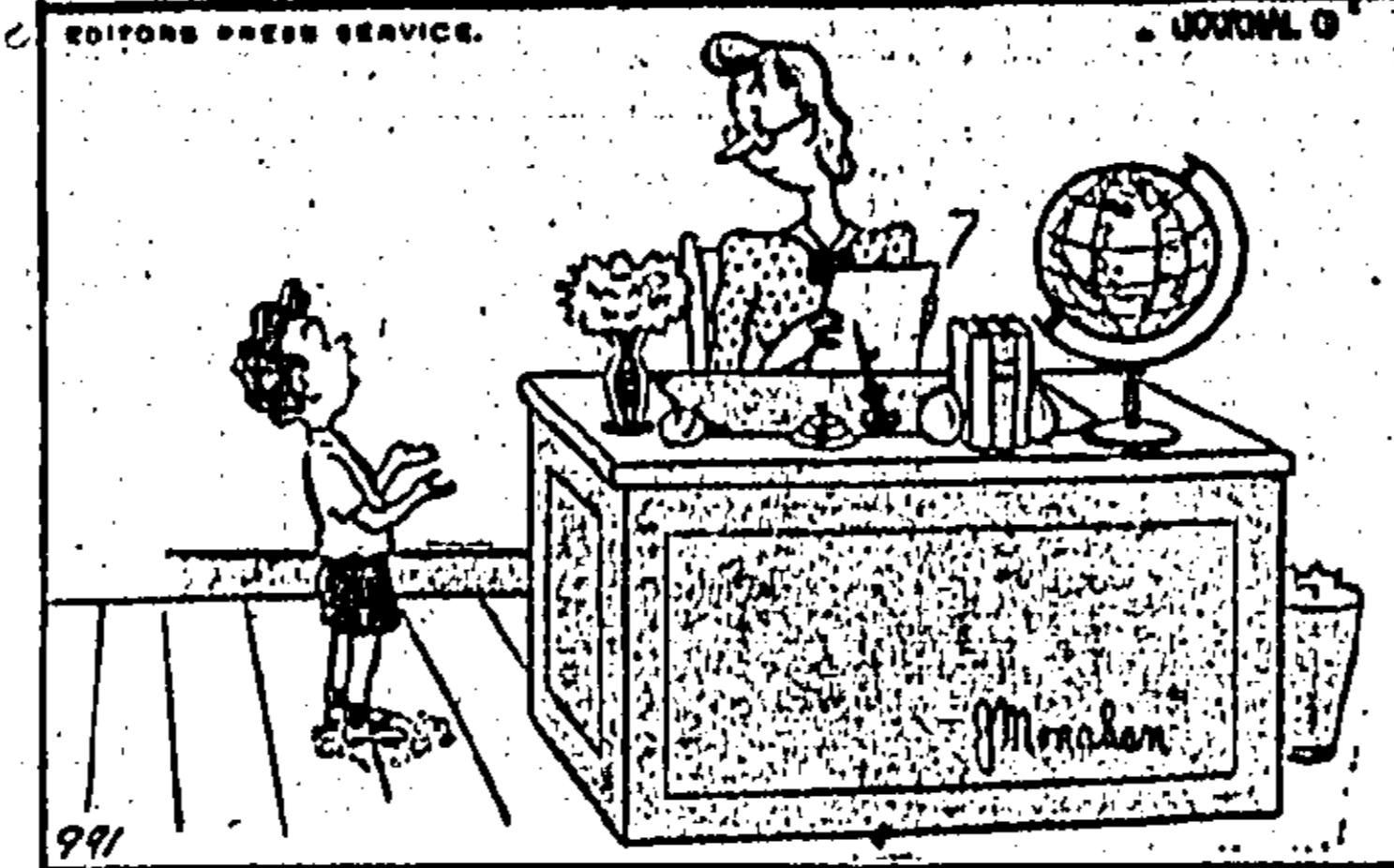
IRC 0 3 3 4 11

Cragengower 10 4 3 7 6

Royal Navy 0 0 2 0 2

**Table Tennis**

Prague, Jan. 14.—Hungary defeated France by five matches to one in their Danube Cup table tennis match at Bratislava today.—Reuter.



"What does it matter if I always get my lessons wrong? I only want to be a weather man when I grow up."

## WESTERN UNION DEFENCE MINISTERS MEET IN BELGIUM

Brussels, Jan. 14.—The Defence Ministers of the five Western Union powers—Britain, France, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg—began secret talks in the Belgian Ministry of Defence today.

In addition to the delegations of the Western Union powers, American and Canadian observers were present. The conference, which had been expected to last at least two days, finished its work in five hours.

According to an official communiqué issued tonight, the Defence Ministers today considered "the practical steps being taken to achieve a common effort for the defence and security of Western Europe."

The Ministers "reviewed the work done by the defence organisation of the Brussels Treaty powers since their last meeting in Paris on September 27 and 28," the communiqué said.

They "adopted certain recommendations on forces and equipment made to them by the Chiefs of Staff Committee and the Military Supply Board."

The communiqué added: "The Military Supply Board was established by the Ministers of Defence at their meeting on September 27 and 28. It deals with the questions of the production and provisions of supplies and equipment to meet the needs of the armed forces."

Also on the agenda, it was understood, was the question of supply of British jet planes to the other Western Union countries and the development of similar planes in Belgium and Holland.—Reuter.

M. Schuman said the problem connected with the admission of Italy to the various Western groupings, such as the Western Pact, the Brussels Pact, and the European Unity Movement had been an important subject of the conference.

The problem of the disposal of Italy's former colonies had been fully examined.

M. Schuman said that the European Union discussions would shortly agree to adopt both the British proposal for a European Council of Ministers and the French proposal for a European Assembly.

On Germany, M. Schuman said the points of view of Britain and France had been so narrowed that it would be wrong no longer to speak of fundamental differences.

There were, of course, divergencies in emphasis and in opinions on the timing of the various steps but no basic disagreement.

Asked if this applied to the question of reparations, M. Schuman replied: "Above all."

## CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS

Solution of yesterday's puzzle.—

**Across:** 1. A tablet inscribed with the Declaration of Independence; 2. Anti-tank grenade; 3. A style of abstract painting in which straight-line designs predominate; 4. Aberdeen Angus; 5. Lacrosse; 6. Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg; 7. As Scarlet O'Hara in "Gone With the Wind"; 8. The Holland Tunnel connecting New York City and Jersey City; 9. "Les Misérables"; 10. Reuter's; 11. It was founded in 1849 by Baron Julius de Reuter.

**Down:** 1. and 18. Butterscotch; 2. and 10. Under-weight; 3. Kecel; 4. Mien; 6. Eddystone; 8. Fling; 9. Night-cap; 11. Flapper; 14. Moon; 17. Item; 19. Cad; 20. Cop.

**Solution to Skeleton Crossword on Page 13:**

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Some observers believed this remark referred to expected Dutch

reparations.

**FAR EAST PROBLEM**

The Western powers, he said, were faced with the broad problem in the Far East of fixing their attitude towards the two new factors of Communism and nationalism.

He and Mr Bevin had agreed that this attitude in the case of Britain and France could not be entirely negative.

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